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CHRIS HARRIS

On song: deputy leader Roy Hattersley and frontbench spokesmen, Michael Meacher, Ann Taylor, Ann Clwyd and John Cunningham, with the Kinnocks at the end of the conference yesterday

Croatia accord as Serbian leader relents

From Tom Walker in the Hague and Dessa Trevisan in Belgrade

LEADERS of the warring factions in Yugoslavia agreed a new peace process yesterday that could eventually lead to the recognition of an independent Croatia and autonomy for the Serbian minority.

But within an hour of the accord being reached at Lord Carrington's peace conference in The Hague, federal forces were bombarding Croatia from land, sea and air, while the army ordered a partial mobilisation under special powers adopted on Thursday.

At The Hague peace talks, Serbia's hardline nationalist president, Slobodan Milosevic, appeared to make the most significant climbdown of his four years in power when he provisionally recognised Croatia's independence in return for an assurance that the rights of Serbs in Croatia would be guaranteed.

Mr Milosevic, the Croatian leader Franjo Tudjman, and the federal defence minister, General Veljko Kadijevic, also agreed to a new ceasefire under which Croatia would lift the blockade of Yugoslav army barracks while the army would withdraw from its advance positions in the republic and regroup under the supervision of European Community monitors.

Hans van den Broek, the Dutch foreign minister, said that as long as some form of peace could hold, The Hague conference would continue on the assumption that Yugoslavia would be dissolved into a "loose association or alliance of sovereign or independent republics," with oo unilaterally declared changes in borders. Lord Carringtoo welcomed the agreement, saying: "This is the first time that the Serbs have recognised the rights of the other republics to self-determinatinn, subject to a respect for minority rights." But, recognising the escalation of fighting over the past two days, he added: "We've had false dawns before."

In Belgrade, there was scepticism over the chances of the agreement because the leaders of Croatia's rebel Serb minority have always said that the territories under their cootrol would never be part of an independent Croatia. They were not party to yesterday's agreement and as the peace talks were taking place in the Hague, the self-proclaimed Serbian authorities of Eastern Croatia issued their own call-up for all able-bodied men aged between 20 and 60.

Air raid sirens meanwhile sounded in Croatia's capital, Zagreb, as federal forces attacked Croatian forces across the republic. Citizens were seen scurrying to air raid shelters and Croatian television stopped broadcasting.

The apparent breakthrough in The Hague came as the Yugoslavian peace conference approached its most critical hour: the end of the three-month moratorium on declarations of independence by Yugoslavia's republics, ex-

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Call for an EC debate

A GRAND debate on Britain's place in the European Community is demanded today by an eminent group of academics and politicans. They warn the government against negotiating in secret on moves to European economic and political union and then relying on whips to force a compromise deal through parliament. The group, headed by Lord Harris of High Cross and including Viscount Tonypandy, the former Speaker, Sir Alan Walters, formerly Margaret Thatcher's personal economics adviser, Lord Denning, the former Master of the Rolls, and the Duke of Devonshire, who was a member of the SDP, say it serves the purpose of party leaders to damp down discussion of the issue. There should be a more open debate on Britain in Europe and they call on people to make their views known to MPs.

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Sir Allan: no charges

By Quentin Cowdry, Home Affairs Correspondent

POLICE decided yesterday not to press charges of kerb-crawling against Sir Allan Green, QC, who resigned as Director of Public Prosecutions on Thursday after being stopped by police in a London red light district. The Metropolitan police will, instead, issue Sir Allan with a written warning, an action which falls short of a caution. The letter will oot require him to admit any offence, but will remind him of his obligation to act within the law.

Charging rates for suspect kerb-crawlers vary between forces but in London the figure is about a third of those reported.

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Soviet Jews rue exodus to Israel

Disillusioned with the promise of a better life in Israel, Soviet Jews are fighting to go home, reports ***Richard Beeston***

The prospects of a harsh winter in the Soviet Union this year might be enough to deter the most hardened traveller from venturing into Moscow, hnt here along Tel Aviv's affluent beachfront hundreds of recent Soviet immigrants are fighting each other for the ehance to return home.

In scenes which would embarrass and appal even the most loyal supporter of Israel's right-wing government, Soviet Jews unable to find adequate work or accommodation yesterday mobbed Soviet consular officials io an effort to secure the documents for their return journey. The Soviet consular mission, protected from the crowd by private security guards and armed Israeli police, has been inundated with thousands of applications from Soviet Jews.

One overworked Soviet diplomat, who explained that some Soviet Jews were unable to adapt to life in Israel, said: "Even during the putsch in Moscow the queues did not go away".

"When we were shown videos in the Soviet Uninn by the Israelis of what Israel would be like we believed we could improve our lives socially and economically," said Ludmila, aged 32. She arrived in Israel from Kiev eight months ago with her husband, Dimitri, and daughter, Diana. "In fact quite the reverse is true, we have suffered a decline in our standards. Coming here was the stupidest mistake we ever made and we plan to go back as soon as we can."

Her complaints about false hopes deliberately raised, spiralling unemployment, a housing shortage and general hostility from the Israeli public were repeated again and

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Kinnock boosts Labour to two-point poll lead

LABOUR has moved into a two-point lead over the Conservatives in the wake of Neil Kinnock's powerful platform oratory and a slick and trouble-free conference.

The Labour leader left Brighton yesterday after hailing the gathering of party activists as a turning point for them and Britain. He was supported in his euphoria by a Gallup poll, conducted immediately after his keynote address on Tuesday, showing that Labour has transformed a 4.5 percentage points Tory lead a mooth ago into a 2 point Labour advantage.

The survey, for today's *Daily Telegraph*, puts Labour at 41.5 per cent (up 6.5 points), the Conservatives at 39.5 per cent (no ehange), the Liberal Democrats at 15 per cent (down 4.5) and others at 4 per cent (down 2).

It suggests that Mr Kinnock's oratory has had an impact oo political allegiances, shifting support away from the Liberal Democrats and moving Labour ahead after a batch of polls last weekend putting the two main parties neck and neck.

An unpublished Gallup poll, taken just before Labour's conference, gave the Tories a four-point lead, confirming Mr Kinnock's address has registered with voters.

The poll contains disappointing news for Paddy Ashdown, suggesting that backing for the Liberal Democrats has waned since the boost they got from their conference earlier in September.

Mr Kinnock's address on Tuesday was hailed as one of the best of his eight years as Opposition leader. Some commentators rated it the most convincing performance by a would-be prime minister since Harold Wilson's "white heat of the technological revolution" battle cry in 1963.

The Labour leader, ending a week that has seen his authority greatly strengthened, sent euphoric delegates away with a prediction that the next time they met Labour would be in government.

Surrounded on the platform by his shadow cabinet, Mr Kinnock answered claims that Labour had sacrificed principle in pursuit of power and spoke of Labour's policies of patriotism, "the kind of patriotism that springs from the love of the people, the commitment to the people, and not simply respect for the flag flying over it".

The fervour that had gripped the conference after Mr Kinnock's speech on Tuesday was heightened during a razzmatazz climax including a rendering of the *The Red Flag*.

One by one, members of the shadow cabinet were called to the rostrum so as to project the strength of Labour's team. Mr Kinnock joined them and broke with tradition to make his second speech of the week, declaring: "We have a programme rooted in principle and we shall govern in exactly the same way."

Gallup's figures are based on a sample of 1,027 voters on October 3 and 4.

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Whitehall worried at vulnerable BAe

By Ross Tieman and Richard Ford

CONCERN is growing within Whitehall that the credibility of British Aerospace, Britain's largest manufacturing company, could be further undermined if the company fails to regain sufficient City backing to raise the £432 million needed to underpin its recovery programme.

BAe shareholders meet on Mnnday morning tn vote nn the company's fundraising plan. The cash is guaranteed by underwriters, hut if the take-up by existlng shareholders — mainly City institutions — is embarrassingly low, the company would be vulnerable to stakebuilding by outside companies.

Indicatinns last night, however, were that the rights issue would be backed by institutions, which are likely to be put under pressure to support it despite their severe losses of the past two weeks when the share price collapsed.

Rumours of break-up plans for the company, short of a full bid, have been prominent io the media all week. Senior Whitehall sources are saying any break-up could be a threat to Britain's industrial base and its expertise in defence technology.

"There is a danger that BAe could disintegrate," said nne Whitehall source. "The City has lost confidence in the company's management."

Monday's extraordinary meeting comes only 11 days after Sir Graham Day was appointed temporary chairman in place nf Professor Sir Roland Smith, who stepped down over City concern at management failings.

The General Electric Company, headed by Lord Weinstock, is expected to intervene by buying BAe shares only if existing shareholders fail to support the cash call. GEC is determined in stop any other group gaining influence over BAe.

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Saturday Review

NAKED AMBITION

"Rudy looks best in the nude," confided Natacha Rambova, whn lived, created, controlled and married Rudolph Valenn'no. Today's **Saturday Review** explains how she did it

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MONMARTRE MAN

Deformed, alcoholic, dead at 36: everyone knows about Toulouse-Lautrec. Or do they? Today's **Weekend Times** looks at the painter behind the posters

MONDAY

FRESHERS' GUIDE

First term at university? You're almost certainly sure of a place to stay. Polytechnic? That's a different story. On Monday **The Times Student Survey** will present a comprehensive guide to accommodation and the other facilities nffered hy colleges. John O'Leary introduces it today **Page 2**

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Tabloid army besieges Liz Taylor wedding

From James Bone in New York

THE Israeli commando responsible for security at the pop singer Michael Jackson's ranch in California is said to be ready to go on "Purple Alert" tomorrow to fend off the army of tabloid reporters besieging the estate to catch a glimpse of Elizabeth Taylor's eighth wedding.

Newspapers and television stations from around the world have laid imaginative plans to storm Jackson's verdant Neverland Valley compound to record the actress's nuptials with a former building worker 20 years her jnnior, Larry Fortensky.

Some will try to sneak into the 2,700-acre grounds as waiters or drivers, while others don scuba gear in an effort to swim past guards in the estate's lagoon. A veritable Battle of Britain io the air is likely with paparazzi expected to hire at least ten helicopters, in spite of suspicions that Jackson plans to fly barrage balloons to protect his airspace.

"I'm planning to scuba dive in as Elvis and ask Michael Jackson to do a duet," said Allan Hall, the distinguished America correspondent of *The Sun*, who is one of the many competing in what Americans have dubbed the Superbowl — that is, Cup Final — of tabloid journalism.

Mary Ann Norbom, the Los Angeles bureau chief of *The Globe*, a tabloid weekly, said her paper had considered using a hot-air balloon for a hungee jump into the midst of the ceremony. Unfortunately, such balloons have been banned in the valley "At our post overlooking the historic Foxen vineyard, *The Globe* will have two helicopters, a refuelling truck and ground crew, a motor home for on-site photo processing, cellular phones and walkie talkies and a hospitality tent," she said.

Even the 160 celebrity guests — who will include Ronald and Nancy Reagan and a Who's Who of Hollywood stars — will be screened with metal detectors to prevent them smuggling in cameras. One leading paparazzo estimates that a snapshot of Taylor and Mr Fortensky exchang-

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Under siege: Taylor and her building worker bridegroom

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Mackay demands a halt to the soaring cost of legal aid

Mackay: plans to control high level of spending

The Lord Chancellor has told legal aid solicitors they must raise standards and give better value for money. **Frances Gibb** reports

THE Lord Chancellor called yesterday for radical changes in the legal aid scheme to curb rising costs and provide taxpayers with a better service. Lord Mackay of Clashfern said that the net cost of the legal aid scheme had risen by an average of 17 per cent over the past ten years. That could not continue indefinitely.

"In gross terms — what legal aid actually pays the lawyers — we are now spending more than £1,000 million each year and rising," he told 300 legal aid solicitors gathered in Coventry to discuss the future of the system.

Lord Mackay said that he had responsibility to provide the means for "reasonable access" to justice and for controlling the high level of spending. "But I am not in a position to procure the necessary means at any price and on any terms. We are just about at the limit of what is supportable without radical changes."

He intended to take steps to secure better value for money and to raise standards. Lawyers had paid more attention to standards of behaviour than to standards of competence in recent years, resulting in a level of competence that was far from uniform.

He outlined plans for a "radical overhaul" of the system for paying solicitors and for quality control over the service that they provide. On criminal legal aid, he spoke of his plans to bring in a system of fixed fees in the magistrates' courts, where lawyers will be paid by the type of case and not according to how long it takes.

Those plans, oow being negotiated, are unlikely to be brought in before next year, however, having been delayed by differences between the Law Society and the Lord Chancellor's officials over the details.

On the civil side, where lawyers complain of having to wait np to three years to be paid for work already billed, Lord Mackay said that he was launching a new payment scheme to reward "good quality work by timely recompense".

A pilot scheme for personal injuries work will be set up next year. Solicitors will be paid at each stage of a case and not have to wait until the end.

The Lord Chancellor also mentioned the government's franchising proposals, under which certain legal aid firms will be contracted to provide legal aid under strict quality criteria in return for financial incentive. He said that that policy insisted "that practitioners come up to scratch".

There was a disappointed reaction among legal aid lawyers, who said that the Lord Chancellor had offered little comfort at a time when their practices were in difficulty. Julian Linskill, a Liverpool solicitor, said that his firm had a turnover of more than £1 million a year. Yet it was owed £250,000 in fees already billed and had a rolling backlog of £100,000 in magistrates' courts bills. His firm had overrun its overdraft for the first time in 18 years.

"How can I look forward to the long-term future of the practice when I can't be paid efficiently and now?" he asked. "You tell me I must have regard to providing the client with a quality service when it is not certain that the next phone call won't tell me to close the doors of the practice."

Philip Ely, president of the Law Society, accepted that the government faced a dilemma over legal aid and he accepted the inevitability of some firms being selected as "preferred suppliers". That could provide benefits for all, but he said that legal aid work would be concentrated in fewer firms. "It's likely that there'll be a shake-out of the also-rans with a number of firms fading away by merger or disintegration where they are under-resourced and don't have the skilled legal personnel, management aptitude or capital to succeed in the changing climate."

Rapid growth leaves polytechnics short of student rooms

By JOHN O'LEARY, HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

RAPID expansion has left polytechnics struggling to house new students at the start of the academic year, while almost all universities have been able to guarantee starters a residential place, according to a survey, full details of which will be published in *The Times* on Monday.

Although returns from the 32 polytechnics in England and Wales suggest that this year's increase in student numbers will be less than predicted, few have sufficient accommodation of their own to cater for even half of their new students. Universities, which have been expanding more slowly and have fewer local students, have a much greater housing stock to fall back on.

The survey shows wide variations io the numbers of extra students arriving at universities this week. Only Durham University and Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, were unable to guarantee first-year students accommodation, although Salford University and the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, could not fulfil their promise to some late arrivals.

Only seven polytechnics owned or rented enough accommodation to make such a guarantee. Some are still taking additional students, although student unions say many newcomers are being forced into poor and often expensive private housing.

The survey also shows that large numbers of last year's students dropped out of some polytechnics in their first term. Many institutions are reluctant to reveal drop-out rates or unable to pinpoint the numbers for a particular term, but the returns suggest a higher rate in polytechnics than in universities.

The National Unioo of Studeots said yesterday that drop-out rates and accommodation shortages were directly related to government policies on student support. A spokeswoman said: "Students have a right to expect safe, affordable accommodation, and colleges have a right to expect sufficient funding to provide this. We need a system that does not lead to the pack-them-in, pile-them-high philosophy being forced on colleges now."

John Izbicki, spokesman for the Committee of Directors of Polytechnics, said overseas students were guaranteed a residential place and priority was given to newcomers wherever necessary, but many polytechnic students were not school leavers and did not need accommodation. About half of polytechnic students are over 21, many living locally and on part-time courses.

"Generally speaking, universities are on big green-belt campuses with plenty of room for new residences," he said. "Polytechnics tend to be bang in the middle of the community, where it is difficult to build. They have always had fewer resources than universities but, now that they are able to borrow, many polytechnics are using the money they raise for building."

New funding systems for universities and polytechnics encourage expansion to meet the government's target of one school-leaver in three entering higher education by the end of the century. Admissions bodies have predicted increases in enrolments of up to 20 per cent at polytechnics and 7 per cent at universities, but *The Times* survey shows the two sectors much closer together.

Although six universities reported that they had taken no more students than in 1990, and St Andrews University was down slightly on last year's figure, some have expanded intake by 20 per cent or more. Loughborough University has taken 30 per cent more into first-year courses.

Although some polytechnics had expanded by more than 20 per cent, most said they were taking about 10 per cent more students in the new year. Only Bristol and Teesside polytechnics were not planning an increase.

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Freshers get rooms with a sea view at holiday camp

By RONALD FAUX

AS STAFF at Lancashire Polytechnic, Preston, comb the town's property market for rooms and houses for a new influx of students, 391 freshers are settling into chalets at Pontin's holiday camp at Southport, 17 miles away.

More than 3,000 new students arrived in Prestoo this week to join the fast-expanding polytechnic. "Unfortunately it is expanding faster than the rate at which accommodation can be found," Veena Bhatti, president of the students' union, said. "This happens every year and every year it seems to come as a surprise."

A free coach service is provided for the journey between Southport and Preston and the students pay a subsidised rate of £21 a week for their chalets until rooms closer to college can be found. The arrangement with Pontin's is temporary, college managers say, avoiding the need for emergency accommodation on mattresses in sports halls.

The college has 7,500 full-time students, and finding places for them to live is a big task. The success rate has not impressed the students' union, whose latest newspaper depicts Brian Booth, the rector, as Henry V standing before a battle-weary host after Agincourt, with the headline: "Poly boss Brian Booth addresses the staff before the start of term". The paper goes on to complain that students have nowhere to live, park, sit or hang their coats. It has not been a good week for the students, mingling with end-of-season holidaymakers at Pontin's. Gale-force winds whistled between the chalet blocks and jostled a forlorn fleet of plastic boats on a pleasure pond as Clare Bell, aged 18, returned from a search for a home closer to college. "I've walked miles today trying to find a place," she said.

The chalet, shared with Joanna Barnard, aged 18, was heated by an electric fire and cooker, both fed by a 10p meter. Joanna said: "It takes three quarters of an hour to get from Preston, that means 90 minutes a day travelling time, which is not good. Everyone is worried they will be the last ones left here."

Other students at Pontin's complained that reaching college for the first lectures meant getting up by 7am to catch the coach and that chalets designed for summer holidays were unsuitable when hammered by autumn gales.

The college said yesterday that some students would spend only a few days at Southport, but others may be there six weeks while it sought homes in Preston. A new £5 million hall with 400 study bedrooms near the main campus had eased pressure this year and work began this week on a 450-bed hall in Preston.

Meanwhile, a campaign continues to encourage new landlords to come forward and profit from the student demaud.

JOHN MANNING

Kiss of friendship: a Kuwaiti girl whose father is a prisoner of war in Kuwait greeting Jnhn Major at Downing Street yesterday. The prime minister later told the Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, that Britain would continue to press for the return nf Kuwaiti detainees still held in Iraq after the Gulf war (Richard Ford writes). Mr Major also pledged that Saddam Hussein would not be allowed to rebuild a nuclear, biological and chemical weapons capability with which Iraq could intimidate its neighbours and threaten the stability of the region.

Major pledges more money for the NHS

By NICHOLAS WOOD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE prime minister promised more money for the health service yesterday as doctors joined Labour in increasing pressure on the government to demonstrate its commitment to state-funded medical care.

John Major said: "In real terms, the amount of resources for the health service has gone np by about 50 per cent. I say, without any hesitation, it will go on rising year after year. That is what I will tell people in the election."

Mr Major's intervention came against the background nf Neil Kinnock's attempt to make the health service the main election battleground and renewed warnings from the British Medical Association that the principles underpinning the health service are at risk.

The moves by Labour and the BMA coincide with the results of a survey published by *The Times* showing that many of the hospitals that have opted out of health authority control are running out of money and are likely to have to close wards and turn away patients this winter.

The increasing concern over the health service puts William Waldegrave, the health secretary, is in a strong position in his annual tussle with the Treasury for a big increase in spending next year. Many Tory MPs will be hoping that Mr Waldegrave can secure an immediate cash injection to stave off a spate of politically damaging closures this winter.

Mr Waldegrave faces a difficult test at next week's party conference in Blackpool when he will have to reassure anxious activists that the health reforms can command popular support and counter Labour's emotive charge that they signal the privatisation of the service. He re-entered the fray yesterday by saying that Labour's plans to halt opting out would be a "real nonsense" and that managerial power should lie in the hospitals.

The prime minister sought to smooth Mr Waldegrave's conference path in an interview with *The House Magazine*, Westminster's journal, by underlining his personal commitment to the service. "I am the leader of the Conservative party and I have never used anything other than the NHS . . . I have no intention of damaging the NHS and no intention of privatising the NHS . . . I will build the NHS up."

Mr Major accused Labour of adopting a "drip, drip" technique to frighten people about the future of the service. Its charges would not stick because they were false.

However, the BMA, whose leaders had a private meeting with Mr Major earlier this week to press their case for more money and a slackening of the pace of reform, kept np the pressure by releasing a report highlighting a gradual erosion of the health service's fundamental principles. *Agenda for Health* complained that some services are "not free at the point of delivery, not comprehensive and do oot provide a full range of choice for patients and their doctors". It said: "Now we have charges, not only for dental care, prescriptions and glasses, but also for new sorts of diagnostic tests and treatments."

At the meeting, Mr Major in effect accused BMA leaders of being at odds with their members. He said there was enthusiasm among consultants and GPs for the reforms.

Market anomolies, page 6

Waldegrave: faces strong test at party conference

Cereal crop highest for five years

British farmers have achieved their third highest cereal harvest on record, according to a provisional estimate by the agriculture ministry. The crop is put at 22.7 million tonnes, up from 22.6 million last year. An increase in yields offset a reduction in the crop area.

The wheat totalled 14.3 million tonnes, barley 7.7 million and oats and other cereals 700,000, the ministry estimated. Wheat yields per acre went up by 3 per cent, while the area sown declined by 1 per cent. Barley yields rose 6 per cent, offsetting an 8 per cent decline in acreage.

The harvest is equal in tonnage to that of 1989. Bigger harvests have been achieved in only two other years — 24.5 million tons in 1986 and 26.5 million in 1984.

Mann moves on

Jack Mann will leave RAF Lyneham, Wiltshire, on Monday morning to begin the second stage of his readjustment to a life of freedom. The former hostage, aged 77, will spend a last weekend at the base, which has been his home for the past ten days, before leaving for an undisclosed destination in southern England. His wife Sunnie will fly later to Nicosia in Cyprus to prepare their bungalow.

Adler award

Larry Adler the musician accepted undisclosed High Court libel damages yesterday over a book, *The Duke — A Portrait of Prince Philip*, that suggested that he was shunned in the Thursday Club, a luncheon group to which the Duke of Edinburgh belonged. An apology was made by the defendants, Tim Heald, the author, Hodder & Stoughton, the publisher, and Sir Reginald Bennett, quoted in the book.

Gilmour to retire

Sir Ian Gilmour, Tory MP for Chesham and Amersham, and a former defence secretary, is to retire from the Commons at the next general election. Sir Ian was dismissed from the cabinet in 1981 because of his opposition to Margaret Thatcher's economic policies. After his dismissal he said that she was steering full speed ahead for the rocks. Sir Ian, aged 65, had a majority of 19,440 at the last election.

Champion leads

The women's world chess champion, Maya Chiburdanidze of the Soviet Union, has taken the lead in the women's world chess championship in Manila. In the fifth game the champion won in 42 moves against the challenger, Xie Jun of China.

CORRECTION

An article that appeared on October 3 stated that Robert Fleming/Save and Prosper charged £10 for a stopped cheque. The figure was based on incorrect information in a *Which?* report. Robert Fleming has no charges for stopping cheques.

Wildcat strikers form new union

By KERRY GILL

THE Offshore Industry Liaison Committee, responsible for the wildcat strikes in the North Sea last year, has formed a breakaway offshore union outside the TUC, threatening an inter-union war in the offshore oil and gas industries.

The committee intends to poach members from the official unions, believed to represent more than 6,000 workers employed in the British sector of the North Sea, although there are about 25,000 non-union employees. Ronnie McDonald, chairman of the unofficial body created in 1989 to fight for improved safety, union recognition and negotiating rights, said the union was formed because established unions had failed adequately to represent the workers.

He said the decision was backed by meetings in Glasgow and on many platforms and rigs. He admitted that the trade union movement would regard the new union as a "scab outfit" but added that it would have been moral cowardice not to form it

The action, which has a large core of support, will face union members with a dilemma: whether to cut connections with existing unions or remaio with the official bodies. It also presents the established unions with the prospect of thousands of members leaving, weakening their position when negotiating with the oil companies.

Mr McDonald hoped the committee would eventually be taken into the "bosom of the Labour and trade union movement". The committee, which aims initially to recruit more than 3,000 members offshore, already has offices in Aberdeen, Newcastle upon Tyne and Glasgow and it is expected that more branches will be opened.

The move came after a decision by the existing unions to form a sub-committee of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions.

Kinnock tribute to science shows talent for invention

Labour's list of great inventions were not all British, reports **Nick Nuttall**

POLITICIANS are not averse to fudging the facts for the sake of a sterling speech and Neil Kinnock would appear to be nn exception when it comes to science and technology.

He cited several world-beating British inventions during his opening address at the Labour conference in Brightnn on Tuesday which had then been developed and made abroad. A Labour government would change this unsatisfactory state of affairs, he said.

The scientific world, however, might dispute the Britishness of some of the examples given.

"Everyone knows that British scientists invented the first steam engine, the first electric motors and generators and transformers, radio, television, the first jet engine, the first cardiograph, penicillin, the first computer," Mr Kinnock said.

While most of these statements hold good, there might be a few eyebrows raised, especially in North America, concerning radio and the electric motor. The first system of radio signalling is attributed to Mahlon Loomis of Washington DC in a paper published in 1866. Mr Loomis was granted the first patents in July 1872. Even Guglielmo Marconi, the man Mr Kinnock probably had in mind, was Italian, demonstrating the technology in Italy in 1894 before coming to Britain.

The first electric motor of any practical use is believed to have been constructed by Thomas Davenport of Rutland, Vermont, whose patents date from 1837.

It is a slippery business for politicians — and writers — to ascribe inventions to particular people or countries. Such achievemeots are evolutionary, drawing on the work of individuals from various disciplines and nations.

Roger Bridgman, curator of communications at the Science Museum, London, said: "The politicians' views that we have the ideas and fail to develop them is opposite to the truth. We tend to take other people's ideas, develop them a certain way to a workable point and then drop them."

Mr Kinnock told the conference: "The transputer, fibre optics, the catalytic converter, the body scanner, clean coal technologies, liquid crystal display, holograms, microwave technology, are just a few of the epoch-making achievements of today's British scientists."

In all these areas Britain has certainly played a vital role but, in several cases, so have the scientists of other countries. Denis Gabor, who first demonstrated the principle of the hologram in Britain, was a Hungarian who was trained in Germany. A spokesman for Johnson Matthey, the company which has played a pivotal role in the development of the catalytic converter, said: "It was actually a German in 1926 who demonstrated a form of catalyst for cleaning up exhausts."

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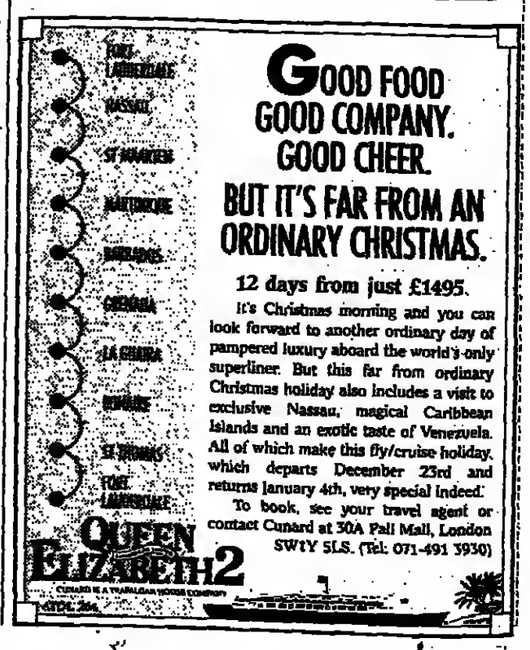

Many lawyers hope former DPP will resume advocacy after fall from office

Green is likely to escape suspension after police decision

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

SIR Allan Green, QC, the former director of public prosecutions, is unlikely to face serious disciplinary action by the Bar following his ignominious departure as head of the Crown prosecuting system in England and Wales, legal sources predicted yesterday.

According to well placed sources in the legal establishment, the police decision not to recommend that Sir Allan be prosecuted for kerb-crawling has probably saved him from the further crushing blow of being suspended from the Bar, or even disbarred. This means that Sir Allan, a member of the Bar Council, might return, after a discreet interval, to working as an advocate.

Under the Bar's rules, Sir Allan, stopped by police late on Wednesday night for alleged kerb-crawling at King's Cross, London, will have to present himself before the Bar's professional conduct committee, whose sanctions range from a verbal reprimand to disbarment. Few, however, expect the committee, chaired by Hugh Carlisle, QC, to opt for a serious penalty, if any at all.

Anthony Scrivener, QC, the Bar's chairman, studiously declined yesterday to say whether Sir Allan, who is widely respected within the legal profession, should face further indignity. However, in a clear hint of the hopes many barristers have that Sir Allan will be allowed to return to court work, he added: "I can say that when he's dealt with by the committee, there will be no objection to him coming back to the Bar."

Sir Allan, who had a salary of £77,000 a year as DPP and head of the Crown Prosecution Service, used to be a leading prosecutor at the Central Criminal Court. Although the legal establishment is united in its sadness at his humiliation few lawyers believe that he had any option but to resign after being suspected of having committed a criminal offence. By tendering his resignation immediately to Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Attorney-general, he removed the possibility of a decision on whether he should be prosecuted being made by his colleagues.

Scandals like this week's are rare in the legal profession, but where the offence — real or suspected — is sexual in nature, the fall from grace is always severe. For example, in December 1989, Lord Dervaird, a Scottish High Court judge, abrupty resigned amid allegations that he had been involved in homosexual activity, and this summer, Timothy Parkin, an assistant recorder, resigned after being convicted of kerb-crawling in Leeds.

By contrast, barristers and judges who commit other offences, including drink-driving, seem to escape comparatively lightly. One prominent case being cited yesterday was that of the late Lord Russell of Killowen, a law lord, who continued in his earlier office of an appeal judge in spite of being banned from the road for drink-driving in 1969. Peter Kenworthy-Browne, a registrar in the High Court family division, declined to resign after being fined for drink-driving in May 1989.

Dervaird: resigned after sexual allegations

Kenworthy-Browne: fined for drink-driving in 1989

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MATTHEW DICKENS

Under pressure: Sir Allan Green and his wife, Eva, leaving their London home early yesterday morning

Vice that provokes a Gallic shrug

By BILL FROST AND PHILIP JACOBSON

DALLIANCE with a street walker still spells disaster for prominent public figures in Britain. Elsewhere in Europe, the high and the mighty are free to kerb crawl with impunity, should the humour take them.

The Germans share the same rigid Anglo-Saxon moral code, but only when the 13th commandment — thou shalt not be caught out — has been conspicuously broken.

Neither the French nor the Italian police bother to prosecute the kerb crawler. In fact, the activity is not regarded as an offence, simply an expression of male sexuality and the law of supply and demand.

The downfall of Sir Allan Green passed almost unnoticed in France. Only *Libération*, the left-leaning daily, covered the story under the headline "Sir Allan Trips on the Kerb".

French politicians and public figures with a taste for illicit entanglements far prefer the privacy of a mistress's flat or an up-market brothel to the hurly-burly of Place Pigalle. Such is the nature of the Gallic psyche, however, that no one would care too much if they did parade their vices in public. Italians take a similarly relaxed view of moral turpitude.

Prostitutes used to line streets in certain areas of Rome and other cities. The threat of Aids has forced many off the kerb, while others now advertise their services in newspaper columns. A recent influx of Brazilian transvestites has also dented trade. Whoremongers in Rome have been traumatised to discover their temporary companions were a little too exotic.

Japan's geishas would never dream of soiling their kimonos on a street corner. Ritual, discretion and privacy characterise their dealings with the tired soft-ware executive who cannot be bothered to take the Bullet Train home from Tokyo.

Police in the United States regularly swoop on prostitutes, but often allow their clients to walk free. Although custom and practice vary from state to state, it is the girls rather than their clients who are more likely to spend a night in the cells. As elsewhere, leading public figures seldom feature in vice trawls: they realise the importance of not breaking the 13th commandment.

Clarke cuts cash to opt-out schools

By JOHN O'LEARY
HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

KENNETH Clarke, the education secretary, yesterday cut the amount that local authorities must pay towards schools that opt out of their control, because of the success of the government's squeeze on the authorities' bureaucracy.

Budgets for grant-maintained schools are pegged to local education authority spending. Because the government has successfully pressed the authorities to devolve more funding to their own schools, those opting out will receive less from them.

Although the reduction will be marginal for each school, savings for some authorities will be sizeable. The level of cut will rise where large numbers of schools opt out.

Grant-maintained schools have been receiving 16 per cent more than others in the state system to match the amount held back by local authorities for administration and central services. Led by the Conservative-controlled Association of County Councils, however, the authorities complained that their extra budget delegation meant that they were now subsidising those opting out.

Mr Clarke responded yesterday by cutting the proportion of grant-maintained schools' budgets reflecting central spending to 15 per cent.

He said that the change would ensure that local authority schools were not penalised, while the authorities would be encouraged to delegate still more of their budgets to schools.

He also announced that the grant could be cut further if more than 15 per cent of an authority's primary or secondary schools opted out. The education department would determine what figure was justified for central costs.

Jack Straw, Labour's education spokesman, said: "Mr Clarke has yielded to intense pressure, not least from Conservative authorities, which are deeply hostile to opting out, but the financial system for grant maintained schools remains brazenly stacked in their favour, contrary to the government's promises of financial neutrality. What is needed is independent scrutiny to end the bribery."

Mr Clarke resisted the temptation to end the link with local authority budgets in order to retain the stability and predictability it provides for all types of school.

He fears constant disputes over funding levels without a national system for opting out.

Channel tunnel

Trains will not fit prefab station

By MICHAEL DYNES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

PASSENGERS alighting at the proposed temporary station for Channel tunnel rail services would be forced to get off at the rear of the quarter-mile-long trains because the platform will be only half their length, it emerged yesterday.

The disclosure came as Eurotunnel, the Channel tunnel operator, unveiled plans to set up a joint venture to build, finance and operate the temporary station to give Kent and Sussex direct access to international rail services when the tunnel opens in June 1993.

The temporary station, at Ashford, Kent, would be made out of Portakabins, providing 2,000 square yards of floor space for customs and immigration services, and a ticket hall and waiting rooms. It would cost £4 million and could be built in a year.

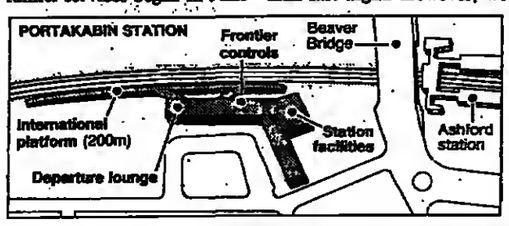
Richard Hope, an independent rail consultant and former editor of *Railway Gazette*, said that while the Eurotunnel scheme was little more than a second-rate solution, it would avoid the frustration and extra cost of travelling to Waterloo to catch an international train.

Eurotunnel's Portakabin station would not win any "Prince of Wales awards for architectural design", Mr Ford said. "But it will make it politically impossible for the government to take international trains away from Ashford."

British Rail had planned to begin work in March on a £140 million station at Ashford which would have been ready when Channel tunnel services began in June 1993. Government delays in approving the scheme mean that it could not be completed in time.

Eurotunnel's scheme, which is in part motivated out of a desire to embarrass the government and bounce it into authorising the BR project, is designed to provide a low-cost, temporary alternative. The platform could be extended to the full length of the new trains but this would add about £1 million to the cost.

John Bennett, a spokesman for BR's European passenger services division, said: "If Eurotunnel were serious about this proposal they would have approached us much earlier than last night. However, we will examine the scheme." Sir Alastair Morton, Eurotunnel's chief executive, said: "We have come up with a Portakabin solution. We still await a government decision to provide a permanent solution. Meanwhile, second-class facilities will have to stand in comparison with the stations now being built in Lille and Roissy, let alone Brussels Midi and Paris Gare du Nord."



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Meal break delays flights

MORE than 500 airline passengers circled the skies over Scotland yesterday while two air traffic controllers took a compulsory meal break.

The break forced the closure of Glasgow airport for 75 minutes yesterday morning. As the controllers ate, a holiday flight from Florida, another from Palma and two air freighters were barred from landing. The first plane allowed down was the Florida flight, whose pilot reported that one diabetic passenger had forgotten to take an insulin shot and was in discomfort.

The incident was blamed on sickness and a shortage of controllers in Britain and throughout Europe. It began when one of the three duty controllers reported sick on Thursday night. His two colleagues carried on but by law they had to have the meal break, the Civil Aviation Authority said. To minimise disruption, the controllers decided to take the break together.

A CAA spokesman said that one of the controllers was not fully validated and could not have carried out a full range of duties unsupervised. The alternative would have been for the airport to close for two and a half hours. "They made what they thought was the right decision, and we stand by that," he said.

● An aircraft carrying the Princess Royal made an emergency landing at Liverpool airport yesterday after the pilot suspected it was struck by a bird.

The incident happened as the British Aerospace 146 jet of the Queen's flight taking the princess to Liverpool on official duties, was climbing after taking off from Northolt, north London.

A spokesman at Liverpool airport said there were no signs of damage to the plane.

THE SUNDAY TIMES

Goldsmith: the making of a mogul

"That summer, Jimmy met the woman who was to change his life: Isabel Patino. He was 20; she was just 18 and the daughter of Antenor Patino, one of the world's richest men, having inherited $200m. Isabel's appearance in the

Goldsmith story is so brief and so poignant that it is now difficult to sort out the myth from the reality. But that should not devalue this extraordinary love story, which would stay fixed in Goldsmith's memory as an all too brief period of great beauty and purity."

Ivan Fallon, in the first extract from Billionaire, his biography of Sir James Goldsmith — The Sunday Times tomorrow

Twitchers hark after Alpine owl

By JOHN YOUNG

A WELCOME if unexpected continental guest has touched down at the Craven Arms public house, in the village of Enborne, in Berkshire, in the shape of a Tengmalm's owl, which normally confines itself to the mountains and forests of Scandinavia and the Alps.

The bird has not actually dropped into the pub itself, but has apparently taken up residence in a wood opposite, bringing twitchers in droves to await the nocturnal hoot.

Cathy Rosier, the landlady, said that 100 twitchers had fortified themselves at the bar on Thursday night before going out on patrol. "They were still out there when I went to bed."

The first person to notice the unusual sound was one of her regulars, Nigel Cleere, a birdwatcher, as he was leaving the pub at closing time earlier this week. He promptly telephoned Bird Line, which keeps enthusiasts posted. Hence the prompt arrival of the twitching horde at the Craven Arms.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds said that the Tengmalm's sound was quite different from that of the tawny and little owl and would be recognised instantly by experts as something unusual.

● Cold, wet weather in early summer caused a setback to the breeding of several threatened species, including ospreys and red kites, the RSPB says in a report to its annual meeting in London today. Thanks to cooperation by farmers, however, stone curlews enjoyed their best breeding season for many years.

A Tengmalm, whose hoot has set ears a-twitching

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DOW'S PORT

From THE GREAT AGE of Port Drinking.

Conference hailed as turning point for party

By ROBERT MORGAN AND JOHN WINDER

KINNOCK SPEECH

NEIL KINNOCK made it clear yesterday that he would not indulge in personality politics in the election campaign. Winding up the party conference in Brighinn yesterday, he told cheering delegates: "In their efforts to try to save themselves from disaster at the election, the Tories will go to any lengths, they will sink to any depths, stoop to any depths, in their desperate efforts to conquer.

"I say now as I have said throughout: we shall not respond in kind with biliousness and slander for two reasons. First, it sickens the British people. Second, when I hear some attacks on these people [the shadow cabinet] and people up and down the country in local government and trade unionism, people active in our movement and community generally, much as I detest Toryism, I would not do to individuals and families what they try to do to individuals and families."

He summarised Labour policies and said that they would fire the real patriotism of the nation, "the kind of patriotism which springs from the love of the people, the commitment of the people to our land and not simply from respect for the flag flying over us – applied patriotism".

The conference, he said, would prove to have been a turning point for the Labour party and in the history of this country.

"It has combined hard, practical policies with idealism on which those policies are based and from which they grow. We have a programme rooted in principle and we shall govern in exactly the same way. That will make a change from the Tories."

Mr Kinnock, surrounded by his shadow cabinet, said that the conference had shown the dazzling quality of the people who would form the next Labour government. "These people have been brilliant. They are people, as the country now knows, with the talent for government, and they have earned the chance to be the democratic government of Britain – women and men."

He went on: "Victory is more than within our grasp. What I take the greatest pride and pleasure in is that over those years of construction, of reaching out, of appealing, of listening, we have been earning the trust of people throughout the land. We have earned it by saying what we know to be true and by defending what we know to be right even when it was not always popular.

"Our task is now clear, to build a fairer and freer society. We do not choose between prosperity and compassion as though they were opposites. What we say is that one of the basic reasons for seeking assiduously to build prosperity is so that compassion can be consistent, generous and a matter of right, and not a matter of favours. That is the mark of a civilised society."

And he quoted parts of Tennyson's *In Memoriam:*

Ring out the old, ring in the new...
Ring out the grief that saps the mind
Ring in redress to all mankind.
Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times...
Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good...
Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousands years of peace.

"Let that message of confidence and hope sound across the land," Mr Kinnock said.

CHRIS HARRIS

And baby came too: Sue Nye, a member of Neil Kinnock's office, with her daughter Rosie at Brighton yesterday. Ms Nye is married to Gavyn Davies, a City economist

Close to a winning hand in the last chance saloon

By ROBIN OAKLEY POLITICAL EDITOR

CONFERENCE

THIS week's Labour party gathering may have been bland in between the Sixties songs, but it was effective, a rally rather than a conference.

Neil Kinnock was better focused on Labour's alternative than ever. Roy Hattersley, now, like his leader, in the last chance saloon, has rediscovered his political zest. And the shadow team beneath them, the leadership candidates if it does go wrong after all, displayed their talents. If Gordon Brown had the best jokes, John Smith retains Labour's best line in gravitas.

We sentimentalists in the media may have longed at times for the old Labour party that wore hearts on its sleeves, when a rampant left packed in hundreds at its fringe meetings and when the tension between MPs, constituency delegates and union bosses positively crackled across the conference floor. But this is the age of the compliant party and the sound-bite.

As Neil Kinnock spoke, the party's media professionals were not out on the floor but clustered round television sets. It was not how it *was* that mattered, but how it *looked*. And what viewers saw was a confident party, boosted by the fact that the prime minister could not risk a November election, cheered to have reversed the late summer surge for the Tories in opinion polls and increasingly convinced that its nostrums are coming back into fashion.

Kinnock and Smith, Beckett and Brown, exuded reassurance like company solicitors. The tone of the leader's speech was an optimistic "We too can do it", placed firmly in a European context. While tensions would surely show in government, there does appear to have been a sea change on Europe. "We have been bonded by the Social Charter" was how one union leader put it.

We caught a glimpse of the old passion on the health service, where Labour feels instinctively that it has public support. The delegates feel too that it is Labour which is best placed to profit from the ending of the "public bad, private good" ethos of the Thatcher years. Mr Kinnock has not only restored their will to win but made them feel relevant too.

But you still have to pinch yourself when you hear Labour speakers obsequiously praising their leader in the way they did this week. "Altogether too much Kim Il Sung-ism" sniffed one shadow cabinet minister, adding that he hoped Mr Kinnock would not be staying on to 85.

But if much went well this week there remain many unanswered questions. John Smith has told us that the new 50 per cent tax rate will not bite as low as £30,000 a year. But he will not say where it will bite, and Labour will be harried on that throughout an election.

Labour may be winning points on the health service, but where Robin Cook is to get the £6 billion which he says is necessary to cure underfunding remains hopelessly unclear. Behind the scenes, party strategists admit to problems. Labour has not yet, they admit, succeeded in shedding its image as the high tax party.

It is hard for Labour that it seems to have a vested interest in bad news as we begin to edge out of recession. It has not succeeded yet in turning the debate into one about who will best manage a recovered Britain.

It has still not managed to pin the problems which the country has suffered under Tory government on the popular John Major, although the longer he is in the job the easier that should become.

The flurry over the huge contributions to the Tory party from various millionaires has obscured Labour's problems with the union connection but not removed them. And the mnch publicised reminder from Tony Benn that "If we've changed our minds to win, we could change our minds when we've won" will enable the Tories to keep exploiting a Labour hidden agenda, as Labour seeks to exploit theirs.

But perhaps Labour's biggest problem is that the barroom talk in Brighton still turned much on what would happen in a hung parliament. Delegates do not quite believe that the party will do it in one go. Hence the great interest in what turned out to be a poor debate on PR (and one which reflected the new mood by showing the PR tide on the conference floor ebbing a little). The subject is still there, however, and it continues to divide both party and shadow cabinet.

For all that, Labour had a good week and one which will put the onus on Mr Major to produce something more than "steady as she goes" in Blackpool. The Tories, too, need to find an instinctive theme to appeal to the electorate and to show, as they did in 1986, that they still have plenty of ideas. "Time for a change" could be a powerful pull.

Private capital could fund priority projects

By JOHN LEWIS

SPENDING PLANS

SHADOW ministers are considering plans to authorise the raising of money on the open market under a Labour government for not only British Rail but for high-priority projects in housing, education, health and energy.

John Smith, the shadow Chancellor, and his economic team are discussing how to inject private capital into worthwhile schemes and removing crucial capital spending from the Public Sector Borrowing Requirement (PSBR).

The counting of public-sector capital projects as part of the PSBR has been a brake on successive governments worried that a high PSBR will risk a loss of confidence and a run on the pound. Mr Smith, Margaret Beckett, Chris Smith and others have decided that a Labour government will split the Treasury accounts for the first time to show capital and revenue spending separately. The next step would be to take out capital expenditure.

Talks with the City have been encouraging. Shadow ministers have had an encouraging response when arguing that it would be wrong to pay civil servants by raising money on the market, but that capital investment, showing a proper commercial return, would be different. If Labour does take the step, it will be of wide political significance. The party constantly comes up against the question: "How would you pay for the public sector schemes you propose?"

John Prescott, the shadow transport secretary, has made most of the early running. John Smith has not quite given him a blank cheque, but he has asked him for detailed proposals for attracting private money. He has talked privately about British Rail floating its own bond, in the way that SNCF has done in France, and leasing back arrangements, with BR putting forward its substantial land assets against borrowing.

Mr Prescott would, for example, want a Labour government immediately to allow BR to borrow £450 million for new north Kent trains. He has also talked about financing the Channel tunnel fast link and the languishing bus industry in a similar way.

On housing, the shadow Treasury team is having discussions with Clive Soley, the shadow housing spokesman, and Nick Raynsford, former MP for Fulham and now a respected housing consultant.

Britain is at present producing only 40,000 local anthority and housing association homes a year. Labour would aim at 50,000 council homes and 25,000 housing association homes, but even that would fall well short of the Institute of Housing estimate that the country needs at least 100,000 homes each year for the next ten years.

The latest policy proposal to set up a national housing investment bank would help. It would attract private money and distribute it to councils and housing associations.

There is hesitation about the private financing of NHS hospitals. It could smack too easily of the Tory market philosophy that Labour has condemned, but the door is not closed. If the choice is building or not building a hospital and someone comes forward with a practical scheme, it will be examined.

Mrs Beckett said the ideas of using the private market have considerable potential. "There should be real advantage in developing a sound partnership with the private sector. We will not be guilty, as this government has been, of holding back Britain."

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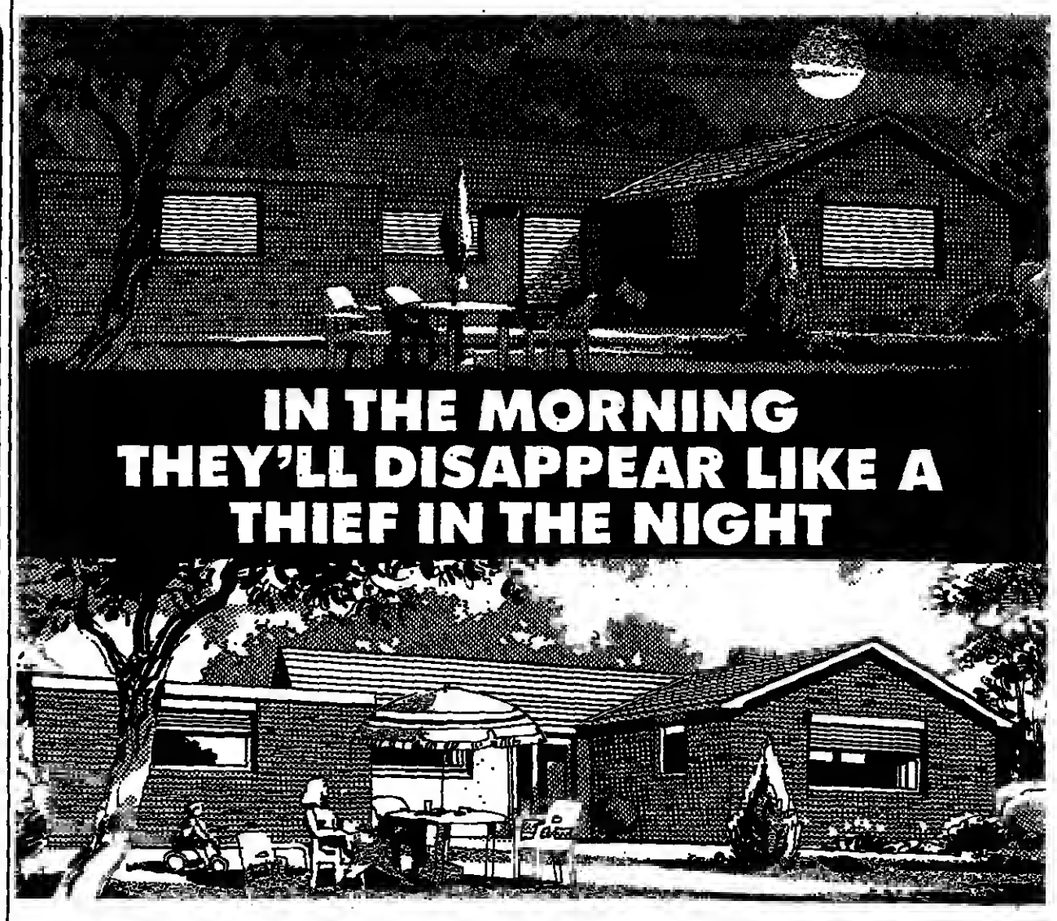

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False claims push up cost of holiday insurance

By Harvey Elliott, travel correspondent

HOLIDAY insurance premiums will rise by up to a half after an upsurge in claims that has left many insurance companies' travel departmeots in the red.

At least 660,000 people claimed an average of £300 each for lost luggage, medical fees and cancellations last year. Many of the claims are believed to be fraudulent as families hit by the recession tried to offset the cost of their holidays.

Roger Crowther, operations manager for Home and Overseas Insurance, which covers about five millioo of the 11 million people who take out travel insurance each year, said: "Fraud has now become the prevalent pastime and there is no doubt that travel insurance premiums are now far too low.

"Many insurance companies are oow facing severe losses as a result of the dramatic increase both in the oumber and amount of the claims being made. We shall simply refuse to accept business in the future unless the premiums are substantially increased to a realistic level."

Norwich Unioo has also suffered from increased claims and said its holiday premiums would rise by up to a half as a result.

"Many of the claims are, to say the least, dodgy," said a spokesman. "It is surprising to find that no suitcase is ever old, it was always bought yesterday. No ooe packs Marks and Spencer underwear any more. It is always Christian Dior or other designer labels. And, of course, no one has a receipt."

The Travellers Insurance Association, an offshoot of Commercial Union, said that claims had risen by at least 20 per cent over the past two years. "People are claiming for items that doo't exist and hospitals around the world are passing on their own rising costs through patients who they know have travel insurance," it said.

The trend towards loog-haul holidays has also hit the insurance companies. An increasing oumber of tourists who are taken ill are encountering the high medical expenses of the United States and the Far East.

Some of the blame for the problem can be laid at the door of the insurance companies. As oew companies entered what appeared to be a lucrative market during the late Eighties, competitioo forced rates down and most holiday-makers were paying little more than £1 a person to cover a two-week holiday. When the market slumped, the insurers' income fell and this, coupled with the rise in claims, pushed them into a loss.

Police to pay riot victims

NORTHUMBRIA police authority has agreed to pay compensatioo for damage caused in the Tyneside riots. It is feared that the bill could reach several millioo pounds.

Shops and other businesses were burnt and looted in five nights of street violence last month. Yesterday members agreed that the unrest met the legal definition of rioting, making the authority liable for compeosation.

The authority, which has already asked the home secretary for help with the £2 millioo cost of overtime and extra staff during the riots, is appealing for more mooey to help to pay the compensation.

Jail charges

Winsoo Green prisoo, Birmingham, was put oo alert after a fake gun made from soap was found, it was disclosed yesterday as prisoo officers called security "a joke". Two meo accused of conspiring to cause violent disorder were remanded to November 1.

Discount ban

An injunctioo taken out by publishers stopping Pentos Books from selliog four books at discount through its Dilloo's shops will remain after Pentos decided oot to cootest the order in the High Court. The books are amoog 22 offered at discount.

TONY WHITE

Rat down a drainpipe: Wyn Calvin, King Rat of the Grand Order of Water Rats, emerges from a tour of London sewers organised by Thames Water. Members of the showbusiness charity were invited underground after the water authority hit upon the idea to demonstrate that the capital's sewers are rodent-free and in good repair. Thus the actress Ruth Madoc, the guitarist Bert Weedoo and a variety of stars disappeared down a manhole by the London Palladium and Mr Calvin emerged later to announce: "We are the only rats in the sewers." Thames Water is preparing to invest £810 million on sewers in London over the next ten years, with another £450 million being spent on the ring main.

Driver in fatal crash sent back to prison

A DRINK-DRIVER who served 28 days io prison for causing a friend's death was returned to jail for a longer sentence yesterday. The Court of Appeal said Edward Peter Dillon had been treated too leniently and increased his sentence to 12 months.

Dillon was nearly twice over the alcohol limit when he crashed his car, killing his passenger, James Sweeney. Dillon then drove away and abandoned the vehicle with Mr Sweeney's body beside it. He told police: "I was scared and frightened. I just wanted to get away."

Yesterday, Lord Justice Stuart-Smith said that Dillon, aged 28, of Oldham, Greater Manchester, had been distressed to lose a close friend, but aggravating features of the case were obvious and Judge Webster's sentence at Manchester crown court was outside the proper range.

Dillon had been sentenced in January after admitting causing death by reckless driving, drink driving and failing to stop after an accident. A longer sentence was sought by the Attorney-general.

Dublin swoons on Beckett binge

By Jamie Dettmer

Finished, it finished, nearly finished, it must be nearly finished.

DID any deputy or senator from Fianna Fáil, the main government party, recall last week the opening lioes of Beckett's play *Endgame* as they struggled through their marathon midweek debate on the future of Charles Haughey the Irish prime minister? Did the politicians cry inwardly, "I can't be punished any more"?

Maybe as they realised that yet again the "boss", as Mr Haughey is nicknamed, had escaped his fate, they talk about the beginning of Beckett's *Waiting for Godot*: and did they sympathise with Vladimir wheo he replies to Estragoo's "Nothing to be done" with "I'm beginning to come rouod to that opioion"?

Duhlin, a city obsessed with politics and literature, is consumed with two passions at the moment: the leadership challenge on Mr Haughey and the ambitious Beckett festival.

Beckett: the posthumous toast of old Dublin town

Last week, the literary and political passions came together when the Beckett festival was opened by Mr Haughey. The festival is the brainchild of Michael Colgan, director of Dublin's Gate Theatre and Beckett devotee. Over the next three weeks, all 19 of Beckett's plays will be performed in Dublio and broadcast on radio and television.

Beckett approved of the planned festival before he died. Mr Colgan said the idea came when discussing with Beckett the set for a Gate productioo of *Waiting for Godot*. The play's directions are precise. "A country road. A tree. Evening." Mr Colgan wanted a sloped stage. "Beckett fixed me with those steely eyes of his and said: 'Keep it simple, Michael'." From that discussion Mr Colgan thought of the possibility of staging all Beckett's plays using the same core set or, as he says, "ooe great show in 19 sceoes".

A new impetus for the festival came in 1989 with the death of Beckett, whose obituaries spoke of his death as a loss to France, where he speot most of his adult life. Mr Colgan felt he should reclaim Beckett's Ireland.

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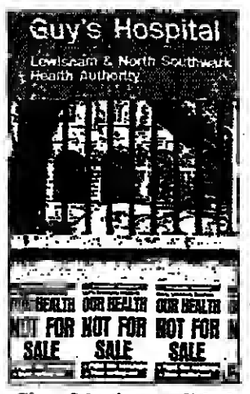
Internal market anomalies may cause hospital work cuts

Jill Sherman, continuing her survey of hospitals that are fending for themselves, finds the going harder in London



Sign of the times: political posters outside Guy's

HOSPITALS in London are in greater financial difficulties than those in other parts of the country, with several saying that they will have to cut workloads later this year or extend Christmas closures.

Nine of the 12 undergraduate teaching hospitals in London are already overspent half way through the financial year, partly due to increased workloads and also due to a shortage of fee-earning referrals on top of those negotiated in block contracts last April. GPs in the shires are beginning to refer closer to home, where prices are often less than those of teaching hospitals bearing high labour costs and capital charges.

The findings, in a survey by *The Times* of 57 trusts and 33 directly managed hospitals, coincide with a decision, expected to be announced next week, by William Waldegrave, the health secretary, to set up an independent enquiry into effects of the internal market on London. He is concerned that if the market is allowed to "let rip", unplanned, haphazard ward closures will follow.

Two of the seven London trusts are overspent, with Guy's trust heading for a £2 million deficit next year if it fails to take corrective steps. It has treated 10 per cent more patients under block contracts, for which it gets no extra pay, but drew 30 per cent fewer than expected extra-contractual referrals, for which it can charge.

Directly managed hospitals, such as St Mary's, Paddington, Northwick Park, Harrow, and Charing Cross, in west London, are also heavily overspent. St Mary's is £450,000 overspent on a £70 million budget and this is likely to rise to £1 million before the end of the year unless it cuts its workload or makes further savings. A hospital spokesman said that ward closures might be needed to stop some elective work. The Christmas closure is expected to be extended and use of agency nurses reduced. The hospital is changing its nursing skill mix, with fewer qualified staff.

Northwick Park hospital has treated 20 per cent more cases than planned in the first half of the year and may have to close a ward to stop further "over-activity". John James, general manager of Parkside health authority, said: "Consultants have been working faster than planned and more day surgery has been done." The hospital hopes to attract more fee-earning extra-contractual referrals (ECRs). "We might have m cut back on one ward surplus to the amount of space we need to meet the contracts already agreed," Mr James said.

Charing Cross and Westminster hospitals are already £1.6 million overspent. They have had no increase in activity, but ECRs are 25 per cent less than expected and business expected from fundholders is down by 37 per cent.

St Bartholomew's, on the other hand, has attracted 17 per cent more ECRs than expected, mainly due to emergency and commuter work. However, it has treated 10 per cent more patients and is £50,000 overspent. It has already cut 300 posts and may have to close wards at Christmas.

University College Hospital and the Middlesex Hospital, now £750,000 overspent, may have to reduce activity this year to reduce a deficit, which is partly due to a 21 per cent shortfall in ECRs.

Some hospitals, such as the Royal London Hospital Trust, St George's, Tooting, and the Royal Free, Hampstead, have stayed within budget. The Royal London puts this down to good belt-tightening, and St George's has woo 30 per cent more ECRs than expected. St Thomas' hospital, which has had severe money problems in past years, is also doing better than most. Although £60,000 overspent and unable to reopen five wards shut last year, it expects to break even by the year's end without cutting its workload.

Discounts on new cars help to slow sales slump

By KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

THE decline in sales of new cars has slowed, according to figures published yesterday. However, the industry is not certain to what extent the market has been distorted by the plethora of discounts oo garage forecourts in August and September.

Sales in September were 129,906, a fall of 17.4 per cent on the same month last year, said the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. The new figures continue the recovery since the middle of the year, when sales fell to their lowest for more than a decade, dropping by 31.18 per cent in June.

Car makers have spent millions of pounds oo advertising, discounts to customers and incentives to dealers. Ford, Britain's biggest car company, is estimated to have spent £35 million in August as it led the way with price cuts of up to £2,000. The company says it will spend a further £11 million on advertising in the fourth quarter of the year.

Ford's September market share leapt to 29.36 per cent, the highest of the year, and its Escort, Fiesta and Sierra models claimed the top three best-selling slots.

Udo Kaul, Ford's director of marketing, announced this week that discounts due to run out this week would continue with up to £800 off 50,000 Orion and Escort models until December. He said: "We do not know exactly what effect the new price structure has had on the market. The recession seems to have bottomed out in July and we think we are on a gentle swing upwards now."

Vauxhall, which has the second higgest market share, has so far not decided to carry on matching Ford's discounts. Rover, however, is cutting between £300 and £600 from the price of some Metro and Rover 200/400 models.

Sales may have been "pulled forward" by the price cuts, which would mean a struggle to maintain momentum in the fourth quarter. The SMMT agrees that there may be a sharp drop in sales next month if the discounts are ended. A spokesman said: "By theo I fear we will have returned to a state of depressing reality."

Ford estimates that sales for the year will be about 1.55 million, a substantial drop on the 2 million of 1990 and the record 2.3 millioo of 1989.

The top ten best-selling cars in September were: 1, Ford Escort (11,008); 2, Ford Fiesta (10,886); 3, Ford Sierra (9,308); 4, Vauxhall Cavalier (8,968); 5, Rover 200 Series (4,692); 6, Ford Orioo (4,574); 7, Peugeot 405 (3,599); 8, Rover Metro (3,539); 9, Peugeot 205 (3,143); 10, Vauxhall Nova (2,997).

Resist gun law, firms are told

ULSTER businessmen should resist demands for protection money from Loyalist and republican paramilitaries, Peter Brooke, the Northern Ireland secretary, said yesterday. Their cash was helping to finance the campaign of terror in the country.

He told a European Community conference in Belfast: "I hope those who are paying up without telling the RUC search their consciences about the help they are affording terrorists to kill and maim others. There are many brave men and women protecting the community from terrorism who are betrayed by the process, which simply extends the lifespan of this scourge."

Ulster security chiefs believe several millioo pouods a year is paid by businessmen living in fear of being shot or having their companies bombed.

● Pearse McKenna, a trade unionist, was shot and seriously iojured by Loyalist gunmen in Belfast yesterday.

Brooke: paying terrorists betrays brave men

BARRY GREENWOOD

Freedom of the forest: Eddie Pierse, farm manager, watches over some of the thousands of free-range turkeys that his company is rearing in larch woods on the Hambleton Hills, North Yorkshire (Michael Hornsby writes). Farmers' Glory, a turkey-processing company of Newby Wiske, reared birds on grassland before renting the woods from the Forestry Commission. Les Brown, the managing director, said yesterday: "The advantage of the forest is that it is well drained and provides the birds with more interest and exercise. Turkeys become bored easily and that can lead to fighting and pecking." The birds forage and are fed rations that Mr Brown says contain no anti-biotics, weight-enhancing drugs or animal by-products. They are raised indoors until the age of six to eight weeks and live in the forest until they are slaughtered at 14 to 18 weeks. Each bird has more than twice the European Community minimum space for free-range poultry. At night and in bad weather they shelter in straw-bale houses. The first 1,000 birds were introduced to the forest in July. They sold in butcher's shops for £1.10 a lb, more than twice the price of the most widely sold, oven-ready turkeys. Mr Brown is confident, however, that consumers will pay more for a better flavour and texture, and hopes to have 8,000 birds ready for the Christmas market.

Bishop challenges ethical base of church investment

By RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE battle between God and mammon enters the High Court oo Mooday with a case that could have ramifications for charities throughont Britaio and which will challenge the principles underlying church investment.

The Bishop of Oxford, the Right Rev Richard Harries, is suing the church commissiooers over their iovestment policy. He says that they should take into accouot Church of England ethics when they make investments.

The commissiooers, who invest and manage more than £2.4 billioo of church assets and who are responsible for paying more than 5,500 clergy salaries and 10,000 pensioos, argue that their financial duties to their dependents are paramount.

The case will hinge oo the interpretatioo of the four statutes under which the commissioners operate: the Queen Anne's Bounty Act of 1703 and the Ecclesiastical Commissiooers Acts of 1836, 1840 and 1850.

The commissioners argue that the 1984 Megarry judgment, in the case of Cowan v Arthur Scargill in the Chancery division over the duties of the trustees of a pensioo fund, sets a precedent in favour of their ethical investment policy: they avoid investment in companies whose main business is tobacco, drink, armaments, gambling and newspapers. The bishop believes that they should go further and set "a strong moral lead in the world of financial management". The crux of the bishop's complaint is that where an "ethical" investment carries a financial penalty, it is avoided by the commissioners.

Andrew Phillips, the bishop's solicitor, said: "The Achilles heel of modern capitalism is its failure to take an holistic view of what it does. That is not to say it has become immoral, more that it has become amoral. The outcome of this case should reverberate throughout the whole of the charity sector."

Aids virus 'infects 5,000 every day'

By THOMSON PRENTICE, MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

FIVE thousand people a day are becoming infected with the Aids virus, the World Health Organisation said yesterday.

The organisation predicts that 30 to 40 millioo men, women and children will have been infected with HIV, the human immunodeficiency virus, by the year 2000.

Figures published by WHO yesterday estimate that about 10 million people worldwide have the infection, of whom about 1.5 million are thought to have developed Aids.

In its latest quarterly update, WHO records an increase of 46,600 recorded cases of full-blown Aids in 163 countries, giving a cumulative total of 418,403 known sufferers in the past ten years. The rise of more than 10 per cent is regarded by the organisation as an under-estimate. "While most if not all HIV-infected people are expected ultimately to develop Aids, this takes an average of ten years. The current oumber of Aids cases thus reflects the HIV infections acquired a decade ago," the report says.

A geographical breakdown of cases shows 191,601 reported in America, 119,983 in Africa, 56,380 in Europe, including 4,758 in the UK, with smaller numbers in central and Sonth America, the Mediterranean region, south-east Asia and the nations of the western Pacific.

Nurse in drink-drive killing is jailed

A ourse who had drunk more than twice the legal limit drove into a boy aged five and killed him in front of his mother at a school crossing.

Janet Bekka, aged 53, was jailed for two years at Dorchester crown court after she admitted causing death by reckless driving.

Without stopping, Bekka had driven off to her home in Hamworthy, Dorset, the court was told. There she phoned the police and admitted the killing. She also told them that she had been moving house that day following a broken relationship. She was "traumatised" by the move and had not seen the boy.

Flock slaughter

About 70,000 chickens have been slaughtered at a poultry farm near Chelmsford, Essex, after an investigation into an outbreak of salmonella poisoning which affected 150 people in July.

No salvation

The Salvation Army has shut its printing works at St Albans, Hertfordshire, where its newspaper, *War Cry*, is published, after deciding renovation was uneconomic. The paper is to be printed by contract.

Factory death

An enquiry was under way after a worker was crushed to death in a vegetable press at the Covent Garden Soup Company's factory in Willesden, northwest London.

Crewman lost

A crewman, aged 24, was missing feared drowned after he failed to turn up for watch on a tanker, the British Wye, off the Isles of Scilly.

Lake slow down

A speed limit of 10mph on Windermere is likely after the Countryside Commission said it would support the proposal by the Lake District Special Planning Board.

Red alert

A fire engine, answering an emergency call in Dublin, caught fire because of a wiring fault and had to call the fire brigade. The original call turned out to be a false alarm.

Scots massacre site goes on sale

By KERRY GILL

A SMALL Scottish estate whose beauty belies its bloody history has been put on sale and is expected to fetch more than £1.5 million. The new owner will have the privilege of using the courtesy title Baron of Ochtertyre.

The 205-acre Ochtertyre estate on Tayside, which contains an Adam-style mansioo house, stabling, cottages, two lochs, a 10th century ruined castle and grazing laod, was the scene of a 16th century massacre. A dispute between clans resulted in 160 men, women and children being hurnt to death in the church of Monzievaird io 1511.

The owners of the land, the Murrays, and others had taken sanctuary in the church hut the Drummonds set it ablaze after someone inside fired a musket and revealed their presence. Evidence of the massacre emerged almost three hundred years later with the discovery of a heap of calcified bones and charred fabric.

The ruined Cluggy Castle dates from about 1000 and was the seat of Red Cumin, who was killed by his rival Robert the Bruce. Ochtertyre passed to the Murrays in 1467 and they retained the lands for more than five centuries uotil 1976. The eldest soo of each generation succeeded his father, an unusual feat for a Scottish family, given the turbulent history of the area.

Ochtertyre house was built between 1784 and 1790. In 1787 Robert Burns stayed on the estate, which covered about 12,000 acres until the 1950s, and in tribute to the beauty of Euphemia Murray he wrote *Blyth Was She*.

The estate, to be sold by Bidwells, is two miles from Crieff and 20 miles from Perth. Within the wooded grounds is Loch Monzievaird, used as a fishery, and St Serf's loch. The main house is oow a restaurant.

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Britain accepts EC goal of a united policy on defence

By George Brock in Brussels and Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

THE British government acknowledged for the first time yesterday that the European Community might one day have its own armed forces.

In a joint paper with Italy, submitted to EC foreign ministers meeting this weekend to discuss foreign policy and defence, Britain admits that closer union implies "a stronger European defence identity with the looger-term perspecu've of a common defence policy". The document suggests, however, that the EC should use the Western European Union and the "European pillar" of Nato as the "defence component of the [EC] union".

The paper repeats the British plan for the WEU to develop a "European reaction force" which could be used outside the Nato area, "for example in response to threats to the interests of WEU members or in peacekeeping operations". The document, proposed in April by Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, and Gianni De Michelis, the Italian foreign minister, reflects concern in both countries that European defence should not be severed from Nato, and that the transatlantic link must remain central to any EC structure.

Drawn up in secrecy and completed only last week, the paper represents concessions by both countries which were once far apart: Britain recognises a much bigger role for the community, even after enlargement, in defence; and Italy admits that such a role must be explicitly linked to Nato. The paper see the need for Europe's defence decisions to be open to the non-EC Nato members such as the United States, Canada, Turkey and Norway.

British officials confirmed that the government would no longer oppose outright the possibility that the EC would absorb the WEU and its armed forces. They empbasised, however, that Britain saw this as unlikely. Washington expressed alarm earlier this year at the prospect that it might face a closed EC caucus within Nato. "If we felt that by doing this we would be damaging the alliance, we wouldn't be doing it," one official said yesterday.

With nine weeks to go before the EC summit at Maastricht, the Anglo-Italian paper aims to bridge a gap in what has been one of the most difficult issues in the treaty talks. Since the beginning of the year, one group of states led by France has tried to insert clauses in the treaty which would endow a future EC with a defence policy that would be independent of the existing Atlantic alliance. A rival group led by Britain and The Netherlands has insisted that any integration of European defence should be done within Nato. Yesterday's Anglo-Italian paper leans a little further towards the French insistence on a role for the EC while retaining the Nato framework.

The launch of the Anglo-Italian document yesterday is also an attempt to set the agenda on defence in the last phase of the treaty talks and before the Nato summit in Rome in early November.

De Michelis: concerned to retain Nato link

Significantly, Britain has put down its plans in a formal paper. Until now the government has been reluctant to go into detail about its proposals; the running has therefore often been left to the French and Germans, and to federalists who have launched visionary plans for union. Britain believes that defence and foreign policy cannot be dealt with in the same community framework as other issues, and that the Franco-German proposals on the issue glossed over the practical difficulties of trying to do so.

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Envoy replies to statue protest

THE British government and people "greatly regret" the suffering which occurred on all sides in the second world war, Sir Christopher Mallaby, Britain's ambassador in Bonn, has told German mayors who have written to protest against plans for a statue to Sir Arthur "Bomber" Harris.

In a letter of reply to the mayors, the ambassador explained that the memorial was raised by private subscriptioo and had oo connectioo with the government. Letters of complaint from the mayors and members of the public are to be passed oo to the Bomber Command Association, which has collected the money for the £100,000 statue to be erected outside Saiot Clement Danes in The Strand.

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Support call

Gibraltar — Joe Bossano, the chief minister of Gibraltar, has called on the Commonwealth government leaders to support bim in rejecting the Briosb and Spanish view that the Treaty of Utrecht "precludes, prevents and deprives" Gibraltarians from self-determination. He said Gibraltarians should be able to call for independence. He also called for Gibraltar to be at any talks on decolonisation.

Spy chief bailed

Bonn — Markus Wolf, the former East German spy chief, was freed on bail of £85,000 wbile the courts decide whether be should go on trial for treason. He was arrested when be crossed into Germany from Austria, where be had sought asylum in vain.

Battle to control Georgia steps up

From Robert Seely in Tbilisi

FIERCE fighting on the outskirts of the Georgian capital between rebel national guards and forces loyal to President Gamsakhurdia left one man dead and several others wounded yesterday. It was one of the bloodiest clashes in a month-long effort to oust the president.

After the gun battle, several thousand opposition demonstrators spent the afternoon trapped in Tbilisi's main Rustaveli Prospect, bemmed io by two groups supporting Mr Gamsakhurdia. Rival speakers heckled ooe another through megaphones as their oppooents jeered and waved their fists.

Crowds began to gather earlier in the day to demand revenge for the attack oo Tengiz Kitovani's national guardsmen who started their withdrawal from the capital oo Thursday night. The clashes took place oo the oorthern side of the Tbilisi Sea, an artificial lake ten miles from the city centre. Several Georgian police officers were also taken captive.

The mood among the protesters was ugly. Standing barely ten feet apart in some places, the confrontaion between the two camps threatened to ignite street violence throughout the city. "Gamsakhurdia is going to die tonight," shouted one demonstrator.

The president yesterday appealed to his supporters to defend him, drawing Georgians from all over the city and others wbo have flocked in from the provinces to the republic's parliament building.

March to the sea: Yugoslav federal soldiers celebrating their victory yesterday after capturing Dubrovnik's Cilipi airport, just 11 miles from the coastal Croatian city. Army attacks continued in the area all day

Air raids drown talk of peace

Christopher Walker reports that in Croatia the war is going on as usual despite a new agreement in The Hague on a Yugoslav solution

NEWS of the political agreement in The Hague was less than an bour old when the first federal air force jets to attack Zagreb for more than two weeks fired rockets whicb damaged the main transmitter of Croatian television only five miles from the city centre.

The ominious wailing of air raid sirens, which have been silent for 11 days, sent bundreds of thousands of people rushing for cover during the afternoon rush hour and reinforced popular scepticism that the new agreement will succeed. Six ceasefires have collapsed. Later an eerie blackout was reimposed for the first time since the last ceasefire oo September 22.

Elsewhere in the embattled breakaway republic fierce fighting overshadowed the peace talks io The Hague and thousands of oew refugees were on the roads after their villages were hit by artillery shells, mortars and in one case, cluster bombs. The warlike atmosphere was beightened by a report issued by Tanjug, the Yngoslav news agency, that the Serb-run presidency had ordered a partial mobilization. In Zagreb Stipe Mesic, the Croat chairman of the Yugoslav presidency, announced tbat Croatia would hit back "with all means at our disposal" if the Hague agreement did oot bring an end to attacks "by the end of this day".

Mr Mesic claimed that the Serbian army, by virtue of the takeover of the presidency in Belgrade, had "declared a putsch". He accused General Veljko Kadijevic, the federal defence minister and one of the main participants in the Hague agreemeot, of issuing a declaration of war against Croatia on Thursday night.

Even before the air raid warning, Zagreb had again been placed oo a war footing with reinforcements placed around public buildings and a mobilisation of male volunteers. The rockets put Croatian televisioo off the air for only an bour. It came oo again, although with a much weakened picture, relaying its grim fare of damage, death and destruction throughout the republic. Television has become an important weapoo for both sides. Yesterday the worst fighting was in eastern Croatia and along the Adriatic coast, where federal troops took Dubrovnik airport and jets hit targets in the port of Zadar, wbere a strategic bridge was hit. The Yugoslav army issued a tough statement threatening to raze eight villages near the Croatian town of Vincovci unless residents surrendered weapons and military equipment.

Many ultra-nationalist Croatians were angry about the new agreement, saying that the Serbs could not be trusted to carry out its terms. Less radical citizens were numbed after the breakdown of so many ceasefires and unwilling to put their faith in another. "In the ceasefires, you ofteo find life is more dangerous because people are lulled into false security," said a hairdresser. "How can we believe that something like this will bring peace wben we can bear the sirens and see people running for the shelters? It is very frightening."

In diplomatic circles, it was believed that Franjo Tudjman, the Croatian president, will be hard put to restrain the various right-wing militias fighting alongside the Croaoan national guard.

Walesa seeks UN force in Europe

From Roger Boyes in Warsaw

PRESIDENT Walesa gave a warning yesterday that ethnic conflicts in Yugoslavia and the rest of the Balkans could disrupt attempts to integrate East and West Europe.

The Polish leader, who holds talks in Cracow this weekend with President Havel of Czechoslovakia and the Hungarian prime minister, Jozsef Antall, believes the three countries should agree a policy on Nato in order to anchor the security of Central Europe. "Nato in turn should work out a new strategy in relation to our countries and thus consolidate its all-European role," he said.

Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia all wanted "an international armed force in Europe under the auspices of the United Nations," he went on. "The very existence of such a force would . . . have a calming effect, prevent tragic explosions."

This time last year they were competing for Western investment and jostling fur attention from the European Community. In so far as they had a foreign policy towards each other, it was based un bilateral accords. Now — as all three realise that they are stuck in the EC waiting room for some time, and as the smell of Yugoslav cordite drifts northwards — the emphasis has shifted to collective security. The fear is that the seeds of the Yugoslav conflict are also buried in their countries where ethnic minorities are squeezed ugbtly together.

"Tension is growing throughout the region," said Adam Michnik, the Polisb commentator and editor, yesterday. "There are Hungarians in Slovakia and Romania, Turks in Bulgaria, Poles in Lithuania. The communist utopia is being replaced by the utopia of an ethnically pure state.

"Hungary in particular has problems. Its nationalist governmeot, committed to defeoding minorities outside its borders, is confronted with a Yugoslav army that is press-ganging Magyars into a dirty war, the possibility of a marriage between Romania and Moldavia that would spell problems for Hungarian communities io Traosylvania, and the rise of national politics in Slovakia and the Ukraine that could well turn nasty on the Hungarians there."

Ethnic squabble sinks Martens

From Denise Claveloux in Brussels

EUROPE's longest-serving prime minister, Wilfried Martens of Belgium, was last night forced to tender his resignation wben he could no longer hold together his centre-left coalition government. For 12 years Mr Martens, aged 56, has steered nine successive governments through the linguistic and regional battles dividing the Flemish and Walloon communities.

The clash which succeeded in bringing down the government started when Flemish political parties opposed granting export licenses for sales of arms to the Middle East for two manufacturers, both of whicb were in French-speaking Wallonia. In retaliation, Walloon political parties opposed granong telecommunications contracts which would benefit companies in the Flemish region. Despite their opposition, Marcel Colla, the telecommunications minister, signed the contracts without the cabinet's baeking. Freoeb-speaking ministers then said they would block the deal unless there was agreement that the revenue from television licences was transferred to the regions so it could be used for schools in Wallonia.

Disagreement over the use of television licence revenue was the straw that broke the government's back. The Flemish federalist Volksunie party had already quit the government last weekend over the arms export row. Mr Martens was forced to suspend this week's cabinet meeting, described by observers as "chaotic", wben be failed to make peace between the warring Flemish and Walloons.

It is up to King Baudouin to accept Mr Martens' resignation. As a general election is scheduled for January 19, it is likely that the king will ask Mr Martens to stay on to head a caretaker government. Political analysts say the elections could be brought forward to as early as mid-November.

Mr Martens, a Flemish Christian Socialist, bas succeeded in bringing a degree of political stability previously unknown in Belgium. He has pushed through controversial sbemes to devolve considerable powers from the central government to regional executives. These have considerably cooled linguistic and regional squabbles.

Police rape case stirs French fears

Philip Jacobson reports from Paris that the rape of a woman by a policeman with Aids has once again focused France's attention on the conduct of its police force

Tbe tragic case of a young French woman wbo was raped by a police officer a few days after he learnt that he had Aids is again focusing the nation's attention on tbe conduct of its police force. The incident comes at a time when six other officers are in court on allegations of organising numerous armed robberies and another has just been charged with shooting dead a young man in questionable circumstances.

The rape of Alexandra F. took place in the central police station in Sevran, near Paris, at tbe end of August, but she discovered only recently that the policeman responsible, Philippe Gagnoo, had tested HIV-positive just before attacking ber. Worse, she was not told by the police authorities, nor by the doctors who treated ber, nor by the court that had remanded M Gagnon in custody; instead sbe read about it in the French press.

An Aids test on Alexandra proved negative, but specialists say sbe will have to wait for up to six mooths before learning anything definite. "You can imagine wbat tormeot this poor woman is going through," says ber lawyer. "Day after day between life and death, asking herself what fate will bring."

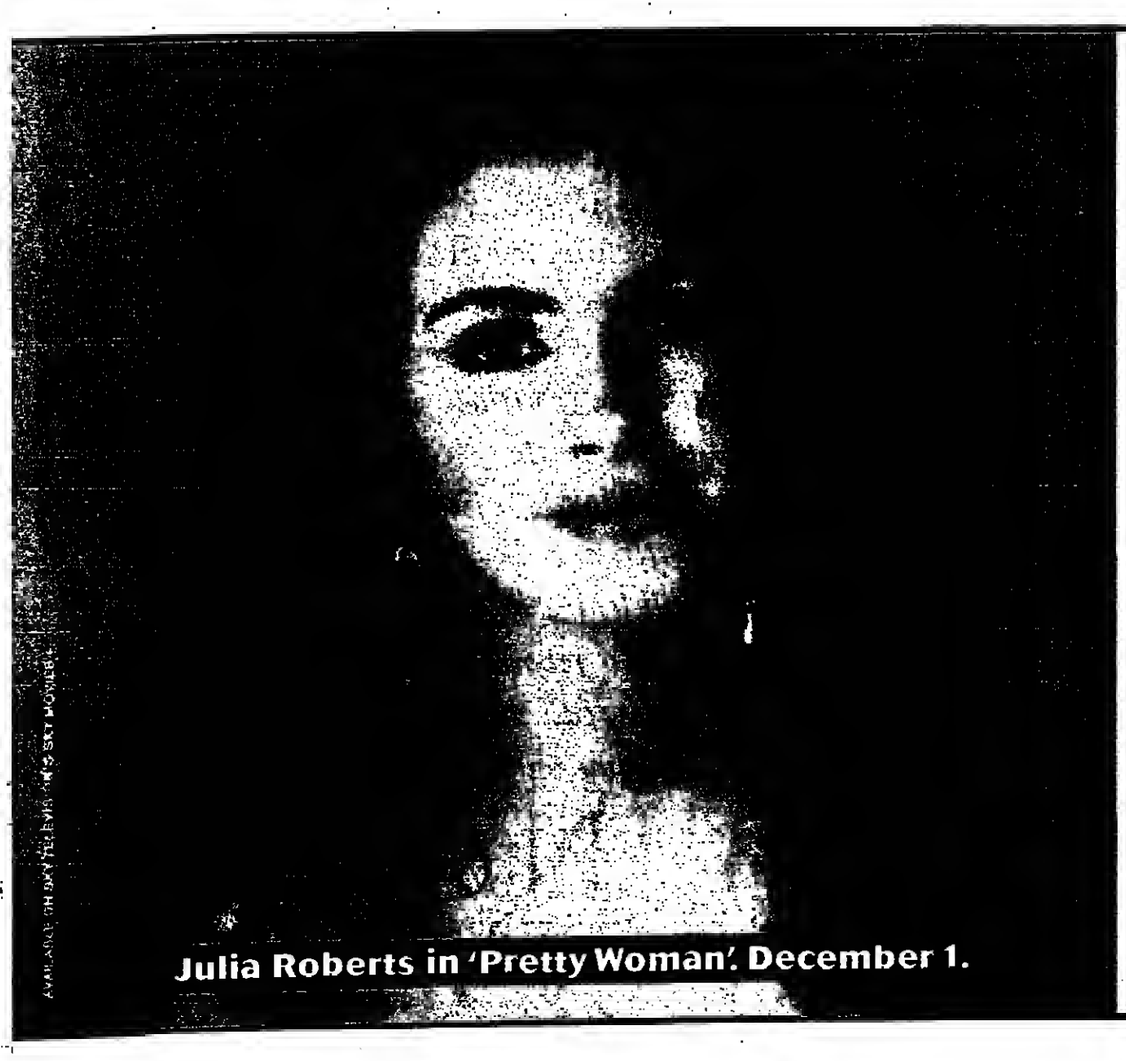
Alexandra, aged 26, agreed to talk to the oewspaper, *France-Soir*, in the offices of Habeus Corpus, an organisation that investigates complaints of abuse of power by the police. "When I realised what bad happeoed to me, that instead of the worst beiog over, the horror was just beginning, I could barely stand it."

By any standards, Alexandra's life up to then had been hard enough: her father was serving a long jail sentence, and she had drifted into drug abuse in the grim suburb where sbe lived, then cured herself of addicoon and married only to separate and lose custody of her son. She had been detained overnight by the Sevran police on suspicion of involvement in a theft: just before dawn, having locked up tbe station, M Gagnon dragged her from a bolding cell into the showers where he raped ber in front of a junior officer.

Two weeks after her ordeal, knowing nothing of what was to come, Alexandra slashed her wrist but she was taken to hospital in time. Since then, sustained and encouraged by Habeus Corpus, she has rallied, preparing herself for the ordeal of M Gagnoo's trial.

"I want to have retrieved my dignity by then, to have a job and somewhere to live with my son. I just pray that I will be strong enough, that I won't have Aids." As for M Gagnon, "I don't wish anything particular for him, since be's going to die anyway".

Meanwhile, the Paris assize court is considering the damaging affair of the six officers — three belonging to the crack Anti-Bandistry Squad — accused, in a 110-page dossier, of taking part in eight hold-ups in 18 months. They were first arrested more than five years ago. But innumerable obstacles have been put in the way of their final trial, apparently caused by official reluctance to have the matter aired in public.



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Diet caught off guard as Kaifu opts to bow out

From JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

JAPAN's political establishment was caught off guard yesterday when Toshiki Kaifu, the prime minister, said he would not be standing for reelectinn when his term expires at the end of this month.

All the indications had pointed tn a second term for Mr Kaifu, who has pushed public approval of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party to an all-time high of 55 per cent. The party is scheduled to hold its election for party president nn Octnber 27. The winner will become prime minister automatically because the party controls the lower house of the Diet.

Yesterday's decision was not Mr Kaifu's own. It was made for him by the leaders of the Takeshita faction, to which he owes his party support and which has controlled him, according to the influential *Asahi* newspaper, "like a puppet".

Withdrawal of the Takeshita faction's backing came after a turbulent week in which three political reform bills failed. Mr Kaifu had staked his career on the legislation, first proposed two years ago in the wake of the Recruit bribery scandal.

The ill-fated Mr Kaifu has never had much choice but to do the bidding of his masters in the Takeshita faction. An obscure backbencher from the party's smallest faction, Mr Kaifu became prime minister in August 1989. He was always marked as a fill-in to keep the seat warm until a more serious candidate came along. Few thought he would last a few months, let alone two years. That he has been allowed to stay on so long has less to do with his own abilities than with the absence of other suitable candidates.

During the Gulf war, it was carefully put about that the prime minister blundered by criticising the allies' view that Japan's contribution was too little, too late. He suffered the additional indignity of witnessing the collapse of his own proposed legislation, designed to send troops to the Gulf under the auspices of the United Nations. His subsequent attempts to revive the "peacekeeping operations" bill have got nowhere. He has also been sharply criticised on domestic policy this week over his failed political reform project.

Mr Kaifu has little to show for his unhappy term apart from his high popularity ratings. An amiable man, and one who has been harried relentlessly by the more venal elements in his party, he has won the sympathy of more people than any other postwar prime minister. Given the loud pledges by those disgraced in the Recruit scandal to win the support of the electorate and clean up the party, it is ironic that they are dumping him now.

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Day of reckoning: Toshiki Kaifu, the Japanese prime minister, in sombre mood in the parliament yesterday after announcing that he will not seek a second term

Scud threat detected by Seoul

Seoul — North Korea has successfully tested a mobile launcher for its Scud C missiles, which could hit all of South Korea and parts of western Japan, according to an intelligence report presented to the South Korean parliament yesterday.

The launcher was developed because the allies had attacked Iraq's fixed launchers during the Gulf war, the report said. A Scud C missile with a range of 310 miles had been fired and North Korea was now developing missiles capable of double that distance. The report also said North Korea had deployed light aircraft, midget submarines and hovercraft for commando raids on the South. *(Reuter)*

Money chase

Manila — The Philippines government has filed a civil complaint to recover $356 million (£203 million) belonging to the late President Marcos's family, seeking to win forfeiture of his assets in Swiss bank accounts. His widow, Imelda, will now delay her return to Manila to face tax evasion charges.

Housewives' flu

Sydney — Housewives are more likely to suffer Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, known as "yuppie flu", than any other group, according to Dr Mark Donohue, director of Sydney's Environmental Medicine Centre. *(Reuter)*

Bhopal gas victims choke on compensation deal

Christopher Thomas reports from Bhopal that corruption and red tape will drag out payments to the gas disaster victims

ALONG with half a million Bhopal gas victims, Lal Vishwakarma receives 200 rupees (less than £5) a month in compensation. He can barely catch his breath to speak: the words he does manage to utter are filled with bitterness.

He said it took his daughter two-and-a-half years to die after inhaling gas from the Union Carbide's pesticide plant, just across the street from his shanty. Her death, because it did not come immediately after the gas leak nearly seven years ago, has brought only 1,500 rupees in compensation. If she had died straight away, he would have received 10,000 rupees. Explaining this bizarre bureaucratic logic leaves Mr Vishwakarma choking for air.

He is a carpenter by trade, but he has spent the past seven years lying nn a charpoy, summoning the strength once a mnnth to go to the bank for his hand-out. He said he had heard on the radin that the Indian Supreme Cnurt had on Thursday upheld final compensation by Union Carbide of $470 million (£268 million). "Not enough," he said. "No amount is enough."

The Indian government has been paying interim compensation to people like Mr Vishwakarma since April 1990 but this will stop in another 18 months, leaving a sudden void unless the monumental task of distributing relief is completed by then. That is unlikely since there is no suitable machinery in Bhopal to handle the money and many fear the exercise will be fraught with corruption.

State officials in Madhya Pradesh, of which Bhopal is the capital, are beginning to tackle the distribution of the money — assuming that it is nnt frozen in the meantime by further litigation. A range of complex questions have to be resolved: should the mnney be given in lump sum or monthly payments? How much is each category of each injury worth? Should funds he set aside for the next generation, many of whom are being born with serinus health problems?

Union Carbide deposited the $470 million settlement in March 1989 and it has been earning interest in nationalised banks since then. The government plans to take nut enough to cover the interim payments it has been making for the past 18 months. Claimants have calculated that there will be enough left to give each victim about 20,000 rupees (£460) — the equivalent of about two years' wages for a typical slum dweller.

There are fears that officials will siphon off a good deal of the money. It is commoo knowledge that in Bhopal a passbook entitling a person to compensatioo cao be bought easily from bureaucrats and even genuine victims have to pay bribes to get passbooks. Staff at the three governmeot hospitals and six dispensaries set aside in treat the gas victims free of charge have stolen and sold medicines, forcing patients to buy them nn the npen market.

Meagre as the interim compensation has been, it has caused significant distortions in purchasing power among Bhopal's poor. Families collecting 1,000 rupees a mnnth as well as the wages brought in by those fit enough to work are the elite of the slums. Their comparative prosperity has driven up the prices of basic commodities. Many have taken hefty loans from money lenders in the expectatinn nf a windfall, even though it may take years to arrive.

Manila's flame of hope fades to ashes

From JAMES PRINGLE IN MANILA

THE grey rain, mixed with dust and grit, falls continnously, and there is an atmosphere that belies Manila's location in the tropics. Families camped under corrugated-iron sheeting huddled tngether fnr comfort.

Children's hands reach through taxi windows for alms. A woman stoops to eat food from a rubbish bin nutside a restaurant. Jnbless squatters, looking like zombies, lie asleep in Rizal Park. The usual demonstrators cluster nutside the American embassy, shnuting slogans. Manila has a worn-out look and feel. Decay is everywhere.

Aquino: sees danger in talks with army rebels

On these wet days towards the end of the rainy season, the capital resembles nothing so much as the set of a horror film about the world after a ouclear holocaust. At an airline office, the wheezing air conditioning starts vibrating in the wall, a door swings open by itself. The employees flee intn the street and across the road. The building seems to be swaying. It is an earth tremor.

The newspapers are full of foreboding. More mud has been sliding down the slopes nf the volcano, Mount Pinatubo. There are outbreak of dengue fever. The American bases are to go, their further lease rejected by the Philippines senate. Imelda Marcos, the widow of the late president, Ferdinand Marcos, is to return from exile with or withont her husband's corpse.

Army rebels were talking secretly with army chiefs on a deal for surrender, and President Aquino is clearly not pleased. More members of the communist New People's Army have turned themselves in. It must be depressing for them to listen to Radio Moscow these days. How can you fight for socialism when in the heartland of revolution the revolutinn has turned to ashes? And how can the rank and file back a movement that praised the Chinese government's action at Tiananmen Square and backed the Soviet coup attempt. The people's army has only failed because it, too, is inept, and out of step with popular thinking.

For if ever there was a country that needed the threat of communism to get its feudal chieftains to look beyond selfish interests, it is the Philippines, now sunk to one of Asia's poorest. Land reform is urgent, but leading families in this nation of 62 million, including that of President Aquino, give as little as possible. Asian communism may have failed in China and Vietnam, but "democracy" and "capitalism" — seen from here — seem little better as an alternative.

It is five years since the "people power" revolution, when some in this deeply Catholic country said they had seen the Virgin Mary walking among demonstrators against the Marcos regime. But the dreams conjured up then have turned to ashes.

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Seized papers show Iraq tried to build nuclear missiles

From JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

A British-educated scientist was heading the weapons research programme, writes James Bone from New York

DOCUMENTS seized by United Nations inspectors in Baghdad reveal that Iraq was trying to build nuclear-armed surface-to-surface missiles, and that the secret programme was headed by a British-educated scientist, *The Times* has been informed.

A confidential preliminary report of the UN team twice detained in Baghdad last mooth says the missioo uncovered conclusive evidence that Iraq had a secret programme code-named "Petrochemical Three" (PC-3) to build an implosioo-type ouclear bomb. The inspectors also found evidence that Baghdad was developing a missile delivery system for the weapon.

The report names Dr Jaffar Dhia Jaffar, who was educated at Birmingham and London universities, as the leader of the overall nuclear weapons programme. The UN team says that Iraq "still has substantial facilities which were part of the clandestine programme and which have not been declared". But UN inspectors do not know how close Iraq is to developing a ouclear bomb.

"One document points to Iraqi success in the machining of ouclear weapons compooents from natural uranium, but it is oot elear from the document whether they had enough highly enriched uranium for an actual explosive device," the report says. The inspection team, which was held in a Baghdad car park for five days, reports that ouclear weapons design work was conducted at Al Atheer — a facility that Iraq denied had any connection to its ouclear programme."A top secret report states that the Al Atheer facility was to design and produce a ouelear device," the team says. The inspectioo team also found evidence that Iraq possessed sophisticated computer codes used in the development of nuelear weapoos.These codes iocluded "one- and two-dimensional hydrodynamie and neutronic models which simulate the behaviour of nuclear weapons as they are being fired."

The documents oo Al Atheer suggest Iraq was developing a missile delivery system in parallel with its ouclear weapons work. In ooe top secret document, the Iraqi ministry of defence ordered an experiment postpooed until after a surface-to-surface missiletesting.

The documents reveal that "Iraq cooducted substantial ouelear-weapoos related procurement from foreign sources" although many items purchased had dual uses, did not require export licences and were supplied before the UN trade embargo imposed after the invasion of Kuwait.

"At the PC-3 headquarters, the team found many volomes of documents related to procurement for the Iraqi ooelear weapnos programme," the UN report says. "A number of cover names used by Iraq in its procurement activities have been identified, and it is expected that this number will grow as further procurement records are translated." UN inspectors have concluded that the secret Iraqi ouclear weapons programme was under the geoeral control of the ministry of iodustry aod military industrialisation, "with specifie control asigned to PC-3".

Some part of the Iraqi Atomic Energy Commissioo was also involved, as did the ministry of defence. The report says the documents show that Dr Jaffar was a senior administrator for the Iraqi ouelear weapons programme, and was intimately linked to uranium enrichmeot efforts as well.

"The team accordingly believes that Dr Jaffar had the lead technical and administrative respoosibility for the ouclear weapons programme as a whole — despite his repeated claims that oo such programme existed," the report says.

Keeping watch: Haitian soldiers and police patrolling the mostly deserted streets of Port-au-Prince yesterday. Many of the city's businesses have stayed closed since the military coup against President Aristide

Bitterness flares in Haiti tinderbox

From MARTIN FLETCHER IN PORT-AU-PRINCE

DRIVE oorth from Port-au-Prince along a pitted expanse of rubble called the Boulevard Harry Truman and you come to Carrefour, the slum where perhaps half the Haitian capital's populatioo lives, where an annual family income rarely exceeds $350 (£200).

Shanty homes line open sewers. The streets are littered by wrecks of cars and mounds of rubbish scavenged by goats and skeletal dogs while pigs root in drains. Emaciated, bare-chested men labour to haul carts laden with bags of rice or charchol.

This is where Father Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the president deposed by the Haitian army last Monday, was born and raised. This is the heartland of his support, where the fighting cock symbol of his grassroots "Lavalas" movement appears in a thousand colourful permutations oo every wall. It is where in the early hours of the coup that the people trapped a soldier, put a tyre around his neck and set it alight.

The practice has for decades been the traditional form of mob justice in a country run by dictators. Io this case, the burniog provoked swift retribution. More than 40 Haitians have subsequently been shot dead in Carrefour by marauding bands of soldiers seeking vengeance.

This is the couotry's tinderbox and everyone knows it. Yesterday patrols of soldiers in commandeered vehicles bristling with automatic weapons were still careering at high speed around the narrow streets, watching for the first signs of disturbance in a populatioo seething with resentment. Five days after the coup, nothing gives in Port-au-Prince.

The masses, their political consciences awakened by Haiti's first truly democratic election in its 187-year history last December, are united as rarely before. Public meetings and demonstrations are banned, and Father Aristide's most prominent political supporters are in hiding, but the city is now paralysed by an almost total general strike. Everything is closed, from the ports to the smallest shops. Rubbish is piling up in the streets. Hotels are short of food.

A high-level delegatioo from the Organisatioo of American States (OAS) arrived from Washington yesterday afternooo to insist oo Father Aristide's restoration. "The return of the duly elected and constitutional president is oot oegotiable," declared Elsa Boccheciempe, the Venezuelan ambassador before the meeting began.

The army was equally insistant that he could oever return. It was planning to present the OAS delegatioo with a dosier of alleged constitutional outrages perpetrated by Father Aristide during his brief presidency. These ranged from condoning assassinations of oppooents to the intimidation of parliament and the training of a private malitia — a sensitive issue in a natioo where the infamous Tootons Macoute of the Duvalier dictators remain a vivid memory.

Western diplomates acknowledge there may be some truth to these charges: in an inflammatory speech in a poor area of Port-au-Prince last weekend Father Aristide said the will of the people transcended the constitution. However, the diplomats insist these violations were far outweighed by the gains of the past nine months — ecooomic restructuring, an end to decades of terror, a new dialogue with the army and greater individual security.

Aristide: brought end to decades of terror

The eventual outcome of this week's coup is still impossible to divine, but it is only a matter of time before ecooomie sanctions imposed oo the poorest country in the Western hemisphere begin to bite hard. "A populatioo of six millioo people cut off from the rest of the world cannot survive," one senior Western diplomat said yesterday.

Cruising into a black comedy

By MARTIN FLETCHER

TWENTY-FIVE years after Graham Greene's nnvel *The Comedians* comes *Cnmedians II*. The setting is again Haiti, but this time the story is nnt of the dictators Papa and Baby Doc Duvalier but of real comedians: Mike Hope and Albie Keen of the 1970s BBC comedy series *Hope and Keen*.

Last Saturday, about to fly home from Florida after entertaining passengers on a Caribbean cruise, they were asked to join another ship in Haiti. They duly flew to Port-au-Prince, landed at 7.15 oo Sunday evening and took a taxi to the hotel Villa Creole.

Within minutes, the city exploded io gunfire. Mistaking the noise for a fiesta and exhausted by their journey, Messrs Hope and Keeo fell asleep. They realised they were in mid-coup only on waking at 5am to automatie gunfire outside and palls of smoke above the city. "It was earsplitting, terrifying," said Mr Hope. "We ended up hiding in the bathroom."

The two comedians have oot left the hotel since. They spent the week playing cards, swimming and entertaining oot a liner full of wealthy Americans but four Peotecostal missionaries from Florida, three Mexican oilmen, two American relief workers and the Texan managers of Haitian lard and women's lingerie factories.

Telephooe lines to the outside world were almost unobtainable. The dinner menu shrank from *à la carte* to *table d'hôte*, with inadequate supplies of soup and dessert. On Thursday the Mexicaos sneaked out oo a Mexican government rescue plane.

"We have kept a stiff upper lip, British to the core," said Mr Hope. "It has been less Graham Greene than Noel Coward or Evelyn Waugh."

Haitian assets frozen

From SUSAN ELLICOTT IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Bush signed an executive order yesterday freezing all property, including bank assets, of the Haitian government in the United States. The order also forbids American citizens from making any payments to the regime now in power.

The White House announced the actioo after Mr Bush met the ousted Haitian president, Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Mr Bush tried to dispel comparisons with the coup and the invasion by Iraq of Kuwait that prompted an American-led use of force. "The situation is oot parallel at all." His remarks came as a delegatioo of ministers from the Organisatioo of American States left to order the military junta to let Father Aristide return to office.

Author of best-selling Cherokee saga 'was Ku Klux Klan man'

From JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

FEEDING oo the success of the film *Dances With Wolves*, a lyrical autobiography of a half-Cherokee orphan who learnt the ways of nature from his American Indian grandpareots, has made its way to the top of the bestseller lists in the United States.

The Education of Little Tree, written by the same man who wrote the Clint Eastwood film, *The Outlaw Josey Wales*, has sold more than half a million copies, woo the American Booksellers' Associaóon ooo-fictioo award and had Hollywood studios hidding eagerly for film rights. But a history professor yesterday elaimed that the book, written by Forrest Carter, was a successful literary hoax and that its author was really a Ku Klux Klan member and anó-Semite.

"The carefully constructed mask of Furrest Carter — Cherokee cowboy, self-taught writer and spokesman for Native Americans — was simply the last fantasy nf a man who reinvented himself again and again in the 30 years that preceded his death in 1979," Dan Carter, professor of history at Emory University, wrote in *The New York Times*.

Professor Carter claims that, during research fnr a biography on the nne-time presidential candidate George Wallace, he had found conclusive proof that Forrest Carter was in fact a white supremacist named Asa (Ace) Earl Carter. "Between 1946 and 1973, the Alabama native carved out a violent career in Southern politics as a Ku Klux Klan terrorist, right-wing radio announcer, home-grown American fascist and anti-Semite, rabble-rousing demagogue and secret author of the 1963 speech by Governor Wallace of Alabama: 'Segregation now ... Segregatioo tomorrow ... Segregation forever'," he wrote.

The Education of Little Tree was first published in 1976, but was nnt reissued in paperback until 1986, when the University of New Mexico Press paid $500 (£285) for the rights. The book tells what purports to be the autobiography of the half-Cherokee Little Tree who is orphaned at the age of teo and goes to live with his Native American grandparents in the hill country of Tennessee, where he learns traditional ways of living in harmony with the environment.

Forrest Carter said in interviews before his death that he had never spent more than six months in school and that as an adult he wandered between ranch jobs before finding success as a writer with his novel on the outlaw, Josey Wales. But Professor Carter says he has travelled throughout Tennessee in a vain search for people who knew Forrest Carter or the grandparents who raised him. Forrest Carter's family history disappears before 1976, he asserts.

Identifying the writer as the former executive secretary of the Northern Alabama White Citizens' Council, Professor Carter suggests that he took his new name from the slave trader and Civil War general who founded the original Tennessee Ku Klux Klan in 1866, Nathan Bedford Forrest.

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Mobutu meets key rival to choose new government

By Sam Kiley in Kinshasa and Our Foreign Staff

PRESIDENT Mobutu met Etienne Tshisekedi, his long-time rival and prime minister-designate, yesterday to try to agree an emergency government and to end the political violence in Zaire that has killed at least 117 people.

There was no immediate word on the outcome of the meeting, which was held at Marshal Mobutu's riverside palace at N'Sele, outside Kinshasa. Relations between the two men, who are locked in a power struggle for control of the country, have deteriorated sharply since Wednesday when Mr Tshisekedi dubbed Zaire's leader a "human monster".

Yesterday, people scratched in the dust of their looted cities looking for a living. In Kinshasa, street hawkers began selling the spoils of looting which has destroyed the capital's industrial base and cars clogged the streets in queues to buy dwindling fuel supplies. But as Zaire continued to drift without a government yesterday, Western ambassadors feared a breakdown in law an order across the country lead by the armed forces who, they said, no longer recognise any politician as their commander-in-chief.

France and Belgium, meanwhile, announced the withdrawal of 290 soldiers from Zaire, in spite of opposition calls for Western troops to stay until Marshal Mobutu relinquishes power. The decision to pull out 140 Belgian paratroopers and 150 French troops will leave nearly 1,100 Western soldiers in the country. Most are in Kinshasa. French and Belgian officials said the troops had fulfilled their mission of evacuating more than 9,000 foreigners.

The diplomatic corps in the capital had hoped yesterday that a mystery ceremony aboard the president's yacht might be to witness the investiture of Mr Tshisekedi, but its cancellation came as no surprise. "The situation would be comical, were it not so critical," said one envoy.

The divided camps of Mr Tshisekedi and Marshal Mobutu continued behind-the-scenes attempts to find a rapprochement yesterday. "The situation is now critical," said one diplomat. "Mobutu seems very determined to stay in power and keep control of the army and foreign affairs. Tshisekedi can't stand him and won't give an inch. There seems little likelihood of the situation remaining calm for many more days."

Belgian businessmen running food convoys into the capital, which remains quiet in spite of rampant inflation (the price of food jumps by about 50 per cent every two days), have no faith in Zaire's armed forces and they have told Marshal Mobutu they will not bring in lorries without Belgian and French military escorts. He has agreed to allow the escorts.

The widespread looting and food shortages have prompted the American embassy to carry out an operation, code-named Noah's Ark, to evacuate seven chimpanzees and 64 domestic pets threatened by starvation and disease.

Jordanian appeal on settlers

Amman — Jordan's new foreign minister, Kamel Abu Jaber, said yesterday that his first priority is to ask America, the European Community and Egypt to apply more pressure to stop Israel settling Jews in the occupied territories (Adam Kelliher writes).

Mr Jaber said he was confident that American-arranged peace talks between Israel and Arab states, scheduled for later this month, would yield a comprehensive regional peace settlement. "It is probably the most important juncture in Middle East history since the creation of the state of Israel," said Mr Jaber.

Sinking solved

Cape Town — The Greek passenger ship, Oceanos, which sank off South Africa's coast in August, went down because water from a fractured cooling pipe flooded the generator room, according to the findings of David Fiddler, the principal officer of the transport ministry's shipping directorate here. *(Reuter)*

Cabinet adopted

Nairobi — A broad-based government for Somalia has been sworn in but opposition officials and diplomats fear this could spark fresh fighting. President Ali Mahdi Muhammad's chief of staff refused to recognise the cabinet. *(Reuter)*

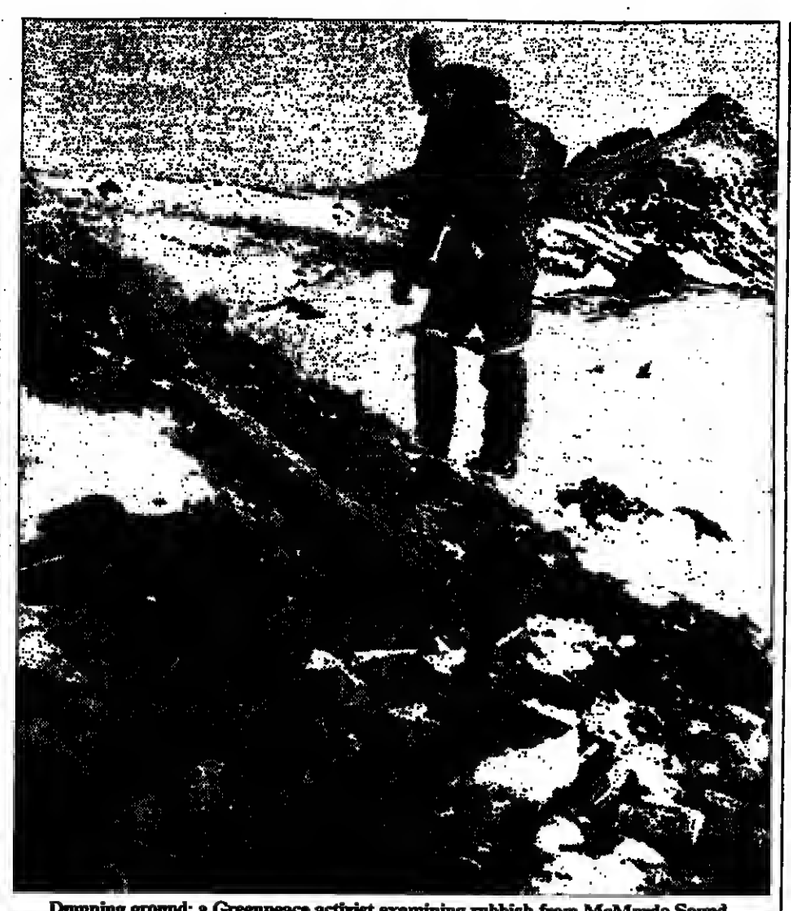
Heseltine signs deal to protect Antarctic

From Harry Debelius in Madrid

BRITAIN was the first nation to sign an agreement here yesterday to leave the Antarctic unspoiled except for scientific research. The accord bans exploration for oil and other minerals for at least 50 years.

The commitment was contained in a protocol that amplifies the 30-year Antarctic Treaty, originally designed to co-ordinate international scientific research. The protocol protects Antarctica's flora and fauna and establishes a procedure to assess the environmental impact of all human activities on the continent. It also regulates marine pollution and waste disposal. About 3,000 people inhabit Antarctica in the summer.

Ecologists hailed the agreement, which is expected to take two years to ratify, as an important victory. Michael Heseltine, the environment secretary, said: "This is the protection of the last great wilderness open space. I'm delighted to be here making history."



Dumping ground: a Greenpeace activist examining rubbish from McMurdo Sound, an American scientific base in Antarctica. The group is monitoring waste disposal

RIO DE JANEIRO NOTEBOOK by Mac Margolis

Brazil city turns a shade of green

A passage through a Third World city can be a dark journey of smog, overfull buses, teeming downtowns, raggedy slums and open sewers. Brazil has its share of urban nightmares, but one metropolis is an exception. Curitiba, the capital of the Brazilian farm belt state of Paraná, is not only one of Brazil's most liveable cities. It is also a model of how simple methods can be applied to seemingly impossible problems.

The success of Curitiba (pop: 1.6 million) is due largely to three-time mayor Jaime Lerner. In the Seventies, when big was beautiful and Third World administrators borrowed abroad to build monuments to metropolitan vanity, Senhor Lerner took a modest approach. Instead of an exorbitant underground system, he dedicated lanes to express buses and built elegant transfer stations. He banned cars from much of the centre and planted 1.2 million trees, giving precious shade and a touch of green to the standard grey cityscape.

As ever more of the Amazon rain forest has burnt, Brazil has been cast mostly as the villain of the ecological piece. But Senhor Lerner has launched an ambitious rubbish-collection and recycling programme, known as "Trash that isn't trash", which is unprecedented in Brazil. Seventy per cent of citizens take part regularly.

To encourage sanitation in the slums, Curitiba gives away passes or fruit and vegetables in return for rubbish. The system is known as the Green Exchange.

Senhor Lerner's work has won him kudos and consulting jobs within Brazil and without. He had a hand in plans to resuscitate Caracas and redesign the transit system in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He also helped persuade Fidel Castro not to sacrifice Havana's art deco architecture to a subway system. Curitiba has won a UN prize for its recycling schemes. Now he is tempted by another challenge. Brazilian mayoral elections are slated for November 1992, and he admits he would not mind moving to Rio de Janeiro.

Cavaco Silva makes plea for stability

From Martha De La Cal in Lisbon

ANIBAL Cavaco Silva, Portugal's prime minister, has called for a vote for continuity in tomorrow's general elections, saying that his government is responsible for the economic achievements of the past four years and that a defeat for his Social Democrat party could usher in a period of instability and dwindling investment.

Senhor Cavaco Silva has also stated that he will resign rather than be forced, through lack of an overall majority, to form a coalition government with either Socialist or Christian Democrat support. During his time in office, he has pushed through legislation to abolish the communist reforms carried out after the 1974 revolution and has guaranteed political stability to a host of foreign investors attracted by Portugal's cheap labour and access to generous EC grants and subsidies. One of his biggest achievements was the $4 billion (£2.3 billion) Ford-Volkswagen plant being built in Setubal, south of Lisbon, where bankrupt companies owed months of unpaid salaries and the government had to take emergency measures to stave off hunger.

Jorge Sampaio, the Socialist leader, has emerged in the election campaign as the uncontested leader of the opposition. The Communist party usually polls about 12 per cent of the vote, picked up mainly from the vast southern Alentejo region. Alvaro Cunhal, its ageing leader, has remained for many years a staunch defender of old-line communism, which has driven many party members to join the Socialists.

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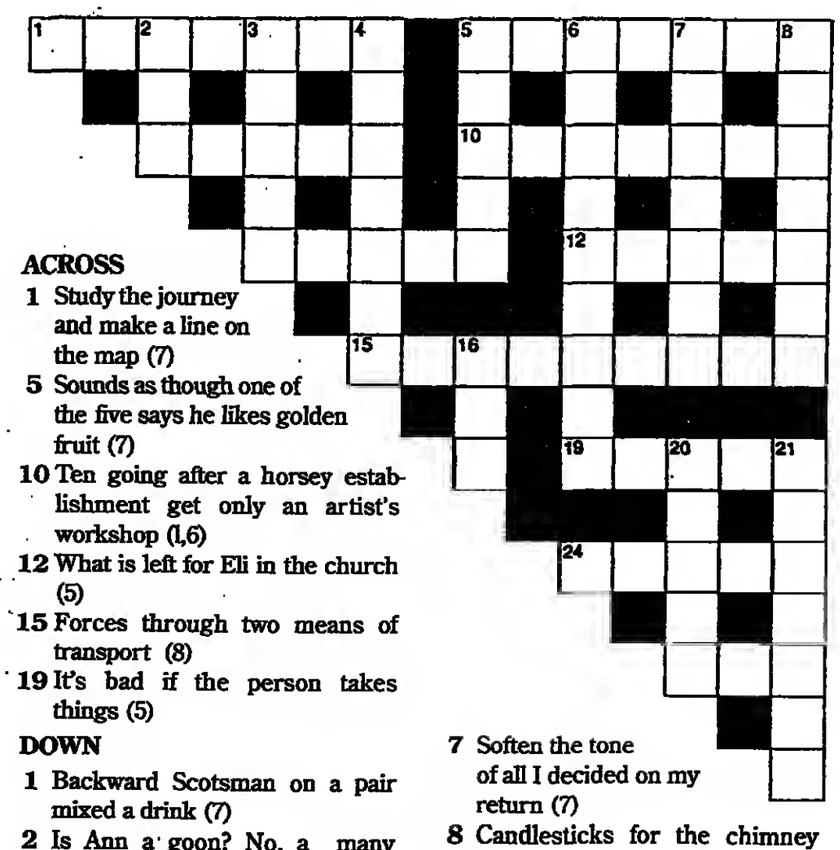

ACROSS
1 Study the journey and make a line on the map (7)
5 Sounds as though one of the five says he likes golden fruit (7)
10 Ten going after a horsey establishment get only an artist's workshop (1,6)
12 What is left for Eli in the church (5)
15 Forces through two means of transport (8)
19 It's bad if the person takes things (5)

DOWN
1 Backward Scotsman on a pair mixed a drink (7)
2 Is Ann a goon? No, a many facetted thing! (7)
3 Part of a former sea shell (5)
4 Monarch and artist built an interesting architectural feature (5,4)
5 One hears piano notes in the harbour (5)
6 Enter, trip, fall over and make intelligible (9)
7 Soften the tone of all I decided on my return (7)
8 Candlesticks for the chimney seats (7)
16 It causes great pressure on the little pest over the lawsuit (9)
20 I'm with men of Kent to get something large (7)
21 Inordinate stress of pointless, large woods (7)
24 Trick father who left frantic (5)

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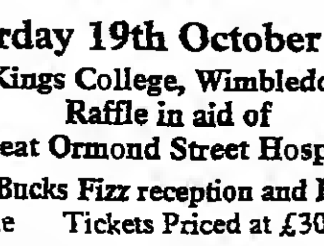

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Lynne Truss reviews the Torvill and Dean *Omnibus* and finds the secret of all relationships

Happiness is warmth on the ice

Oddly, the question "But is it art?" never once crossed one's mind during last night's **Omnibus** on the ice-skaters Torvill and Dean (BBC1). Glued to the beauty of it all, holding one's breath at the skill, elegance and ingenuity of their astounding performances, one scarcely had sufficient left-over brain power to make the mental note: "Hey, my cat Buster is watching this too; I wonder if he'd like some skates". In such circumstances, the question "Should I really be watching this?" understandably fails to raise its head.

Oh, the contradictions of the ice-dance! The warm, soft, colourful bodies amid the cold, hard, white ice; the smoothness of the action, the sharpness of the blades. Forgive the rhapsody, but watching last night's programme, it was difficult to swallow the fact that ice skating had ever been considered solely as a *sport*.

Suddenly this seemed terribly weird. You mean they got marks out of six for this? You mean that, at one time, there would have been sportscaster commentary over their routines? Clearly, the fact that they are Olympic world champions gives them a certain edge (like dramatists winning the laurels in 5th-century Athens play competitions), but in the world of the contemporary arts the notion of point-scoring is surely metaphorical rather than literal. Imagine the famous "Three Tenors" concert as a sporting event, with ratings for volume, phrasing and interpretation, ending up with the three blokes ranked one, two and three on a podium. (Actually, that's not such a bad idea. It might get a few things sorted out.)

Apart from a nice opening sequence showing the manufacture of skate-blades, Bob Portway's film was straightforward. Full-length Torvill and Dean routines were intermixed with interview, and we saw Christopher Dean at work — either choreographing other skating couples, or working with composer Andy Sheppard on the specially commissioned *Ice Works* (a dance for television which rounded off the show). Sometimes we saw him watching ballet-videos, or doing barre exercises with Jayne Torvill. The general impression was that we were being given privileged access to an untutored genius, which was all right by me. One's respect for this man's talent grew exponentially as the programme went on.

Even the sight of Torvill and Dean doing a knee-bend was fascinating, because of course they did it with a characteristically perfect one-behind-the-other unison, two bodies moved by a single thought, like weirdly intuitive twins. It is getting to be a habit, perhaps. We did not see them having a cup of tea or going for a walk, but you could imagine that Dean would always be half a yard behind, emulating every movement. Torvill must spend half her life experiencing the spooky sensation of someone breathing down her neck. As a child, she may have learned that Robert Louis Stevenson poem, "I have a little shadow that goes in and out with me".

But it was Dean's achievement as a choreographer that we were invited to assess, from *Mack and Mabel*, through *Bolero*, *Missing*, and *Hat Trick* to the extraordinary *Revolution*. This is work that speaks for itself, of course, which is handy because Dean's explications ("It's about Russia") were sometimes a trifle vague. It did seem that the opportunity for broader cultural analysis had been missed. Why does this ice-dancing appeal so directly to one's emotions? Why is it so universally popular? Isn't there an important symbiosis with television? The work is overtly expressive, but what exactly does it express?

The great appeal of Torvill and Dean, perhaps, is the rather obvious one that their drama must always ultimately boil down to Relationships — in common with so much else on television. *Bolero* is about love, bonding, shared tragedy, and matching mauve fairy-tale costumes. Ice-skating, especially in pairs, is quite limited, really; two people, who will fall over if they stop moving, travel along side by side, basically holding each other up.

Torvill and Dean make a virtue of the limitations, stressing the physical intimacy, the dependence, and the complete excluding-all-others mutual involvement. They pull apart, they are drawn together; they swap sides, swap hats, pull each other along by the leg, but they are made for one another, and they cannot let go.

Dean recently took the risk of choreographing this rather negative oh-no-not-you-again version of the ice-dancers' destiny. Unsurprisingly, the result was not entirely welcomed by misty-eyed lovers of *Bolero*.

Revolution (danced to the old Beatles number of the same name) is tense and aggressive; they block each other's blows, grab each other's wrists, strut and struggle and narrow their eyes. They are terribly fed up. It might be entitled "Bolero, Five Years Later" or "Where's the Fun, Now that We've Finished Grouting the Bathroom?".

There seemed to be a great deal of aggressive marital strife on television this week: the searing break-up of James and Charity in **The Men's Room** (BBC1); the bowling-contest in **Two Point Four Children** (BBC1), in which the unfortunately-named Bill and Ben transformed a rare night out into a foaming battle of the sea monsters; Rik Mayall and Adrian Edmondson in **Bottom** (BBC2) going mad with quasi-marital claustrophobia ("What am I going to feed the children?"); and Sue Sullivan in **Brookside** (Channel 4) paying a rather heavy penalty for adultery — being tipped, baby and all, from a high roof.

Disenchantment was rife. But there was nothing so expressive, or scary, as Torvill and Dean pretending, with every fibre of their being, to loathe one another. Look, she's trying to hit him. It's enough to make you weep. I mean, for heavens' sake, they used to seem so *happy*.

Tale of Country folk

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Big Country
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HAVING reached a creative impasse and suffered grievous financial losses on their 1988 Moscow adventure to promote the *Peace in our Time* album, Big Country were ready to throw in the towel. In the event, only drummer Mark Brzezicki quit. Nevertheless, the group has turned a new page with their latest album, *No Place Like Home*, a radical and inspired departure from the galloping rhythms and skirling guitar sounds of old.

Even so, Big Country remain a band painfully out of joint with the times. Dominated by the thoughtful, honourable and down-to-earth personality of singer and guitarist Stuart Adamson, they have neither the "dangerous" attitude to compete with such young turks as Guns N' Roses or the lofty pretensions of contemporaries like Simple Minds.

If anything, their relationship with their audience is akin to the easy and cosy rapport of a long-established folk act, and indeed halfway through this, the first of a five-night residency, Adamson strapped on an acoustic guitar and asked for requests. The result was an unaccompanied version of "Broken Heart (Thirteen Valleys)" with the crowd enthusiastically adding their football-chant vocalese to the chorus.

However, there is no folk act that gets the kind of response which greeted the opening salvo of "We're Not in Kansas", "King of Emotion" and "Look Away". It looked as if the dance floor had been turned into a giant trampoline, such was the mass of bodies bouncing at the front.

The new material was greeted with more restraint, but the bluesy "Republican Party Reptile" and the country-tinged ballad "Ships" nevertheless dovetailed surprisingly smoothly into the structure of the set. The honky-tonk piano, mandolin and mellow sentiments of "Beautiful People" sat less comfortably in the mix, and an old song about the aftermath of a nuclear holocaust, "Winter Sky", seemed a perversely dated choice, both musically and topically. Better by far was the taut menace of "The Hostage Speaks", with its picaresque lyric and haunting wah-wah soloing from Adamson.

The old standbys, "Chance" and "In a Big Country" gave way to encores including an emotional reading of Neil Young's epic "Rocking in the Free World" and an ill-advised stab at Muddy Waters's cock-of-the-roost anthem "Mannish Boy".

DAVID SINCLAIR

CONCERT

Allegri Quartet
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JAMES MacMillan's *Tuireadh*, given its London premiere by the Allegri Quartet and the clarinettist James Campbell, is that rare animal in contemporary music: a contemplative, sad, mostly slow piece which hits its intended emotional spot exactly. The premise for its inclusion in this concert, as in all of this short series, was the inspiration of Mozart, whose Clarinet Quintet the same players gave after the interval. Yet the world of MacMillan's work shares little with that of Mozart's beyond the instrumentation.

For one thing, not a note of *Tuireadh*, which was composed in memory of the victims of the Piper Alpha disaster, exists as decoration. Instead, MacMillan has written an essay whose eloquence derives from the instruments' unity and immediate reaction with each other, rather than from diversity within the texture or conflict. The means are lean and the scene is set with staggering simplicity: a single, sustained note on the clarinet starting from silence and expanding into a fortissimo of utter anguish. Then the strings take their turn at another pitch, this time modulating it agonisingly through semitone steps, and thus creating constantly changing but narrow clusters of sound. They congregate again on a tremolando.

MacMillan's use of such basic devices could have turned his piece into mere sound-effect. But one was able easily to imagine the sounds, and the flavour, of the mysterious, intuitive keenings which, the composer's note told us, apparently arose spontaneously when a group of mourners visited the site of the tragedy. From this an eerie chorale emerges; then MacMillan, in a structure which progresses in natural-sounding breath spans, completes the confusing melange of bereavement's emotions with stuttering, angry passages. These are sometimes combined with high-pitched clarinet arabesques.

Finally, the viola's plaintive sigh, a descending semitone, suggests the beginnings of a coming to terms with grief. Nevertheless that grief, deep and harrowing, still exists. If such description cannot possibly do this immensely moving work justice, this performance — several degrees more concentrated than that of Haydn's String Quartet, Op 76 No 5, which preceded it — most certainly did.

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A Swell Party
Vaudeville

THIS is the sort of show that was inevitable in the centenary year of Cole Porter's birth. Two actors, two actresses and two pianists assemble on a black forestage from which spindly black stairs lead to a black platform. One of them describes the essentials of the composer's life, trying his best to ensure that the songs that interrupt him flow naturally from his narrative. Thus a few sentences about Porter's insomniac worries lead first to "Night and Day", then to "In the Still of the Night". Similarly, a first trip to France is followed by "I Love Paris" and "You Don't Know Paree", and a later, sadder one by "Who Said Gay Paree?". Everyone wears discreet evening dress and sips champagne, lots of it.

Most of the time, David Gilmore's production follows the genre's rules, some might say its clichés. Why not? Anne Wood substituted for the sick Maria Friedman last night; but she proved no less melodious than Angela Richards, David Kernan, Nickolas Grace and the singing pianist, Martin Smith.

There were times when I wondered if all of them, Smith honourably excepted, could use more beef; but then Porter was, so to speak, less rare steak than cold consommé with dry sherry added. Their casual good humour sorted well enough with a composer whose forte was the deft lyric, the wry melody, the debonair celebration of life's sophisticated pleasures.

Yet there are differences from the usual concert compendium, though whether they are bold or perverse depends on your taste. Most of the well-known songs are there, from "Anything Goes" to "Just One of Those Things"; but they sometimes get shorter shrift than ones that I, at least, had never hummed. For example, much is made of "Love for Sale" ("who's prepared to pay the price for a trip to paradise?"), presumably because the show's creators, John Kane and David Kernan, think it reflects Porter's homosexuality and habits of slumming.

Justice is similarly done to a superb number about Manhattan from the show *Red, Hot and Blue* ("I'm deserted, I'm depressed, in my regal eagle's nest, in the depths of the ninetieth floor"). Yet extracts from *Kiss Me Kate* pass in a flash, and "You're the Top", "Well Did You Evah!", "Let's Fall in Love" and "It's De-Lovely" are crammed into a curt encore.

DONALD COOPER

Still of the night: Nickolas Grace, as the debonair Porter

Nickolas Grace takes the role of Porter, meaning he sings least and speaks most, which in each case is just as well. His baritone may be a mite hoarse, but he can animate the sometimes plodding biographical titbits. A portrait emerges of a flip hedonist deepened by the riding accident that left him in permanent pain, a fun man who learnt to wear his griefs bravely. But who cares? What matters is not his life, but his creative legacy. Whatever the caveats, most people will leave the Vaudeville knowing that they don't make composers like him any more.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

THEATRE

Punishment without Revenge
The Place

WHEN this Lope de Vega tragedy was staged at the Notting Hill Gate last year it received praise from all quarters. Not having seen that, I cannot use it as a stick to beat Ceri Sherlock's production for Actors Touring Company, but clearly something has gone seriously awry. Gwynne Edwards is an old hand at translating from the Spanish, the ATC has breathed life at other times into a forgotten European classic, and of course the play does have a message for men thinking of leaving a young wife and an illegitimate son together before setting off to lead a papal army across the plains of Lombardy.

The play also suggests what such a man could do upon returning to find the young couple coupling. The wife is to be gagged and wrapped in taffeta so that the son will not realise who he is stabbing when ordered to do so by his cross father. Then somebody else can be ordered to kill the son for killing his stepmother, and it's all right because this is a punishment for which nobody survives to demand revenge: hence the title. When honour sits in the lap of reason (if I caught the father's words correctly) execution is just.

The young man's servant steps forward at the end, to say that what we have witnessed is an example for us all. After puzzling a while over this, I decided that he and Lope and especially the ATC overestimate the number of papal generals likely to be in the audience. Illegitimate sons and young wives may be present, conceivably holding hands, but they need consider Lope's play contains any message for them.

Message or no, the play might have shown us something about the 17th century, had Sherlock not dressed the cast in modern suits and trench coats. The double-decker grey panels at the rear of the open-cube set muffled the sound horribly so that only Robert David's Federico, the bastard son, and Neil Salvage as his servant are consistently audible. But it is the dull language that finally sinks the enterprise. "There's no thought that, seeing its desired end, cannot become reality." No matter how true to the original, a two-hour meal of stodge is a fearful way to pass an evening.

JEREMY KINGSTON

THE SUNDAY TIMES

"Personally, I like Coronation Street best when it is at its least urgent, when Mavis Riley is worrying about her budgie's health or when Bet Lynch is saying: 'Ang on, 'ang on, I 'aven't smoked me breakfast yet."

Craig Brown, who begins his television review column in The Sunday Times tomorrow

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Clifford Longley

Our attitude to sex is determined by inherited hypocrisy not true morality

Public soliciting by prostitutes is illegal. So is the reciprocal practice of "kerb-crawling". Thus does the law try to turn off both the supply and the demand for this least respectable of trades. It does so on the principle that prostitution is wrong, but it achieves only the lesser result of making prostitution more difficult, driving it into ever more sordid corners. This is typical of the muddle public policy gets into in Britain when it tries to regulate anything to do with sex. It has not reduced prostitution, nor saved prostitutes, nor improved the moral climate.

Whether there should be any such thing as "public morality" will be one of the growing debates of the 1990s. The broad proposition is at first attractive, almost obvious: society needs "standards". It is when the content of public morality begins to be contentious that the idea starts to collapse under its own weight. Who is to decide its terms? How is it to be upheld, or, if broken, enforced?

And should this include, even rely upon, public shaming of well-known people if they infringe? Should public figures be expected to behave better than anybody else? And what does "better" mean? The allegation of kerb-crawling which precipitated the resignation of the Director of Public Prosecutions, Sir Allan Green, like the allegation of homosexuality which led to the resignation of Lord Dervaird from the Scottish judiciary last year, brings these issues into the open. That public morality should still claim such a blood tribute from its victims — though nobody can quite remember why — is a sign that its sands have finally run out.

Green: victim of hypocrisy

It is ignorant to blame the muddle on Judaeo-Christian morality, or — on the opposite tack — to maintain that Judaeo-Christian morality is under threat and must be defended. The blame cannot be pinned on Jews and Christians so easily, nor do they necessarily have such a stake in the status quo. If any are guilty it is the Victorians, for it was their muddle about sex which laid the foundation for the present one, including the prostitution laws. And the cardinal principle of the Victorian code was not morality, but respectability.

The totem of respectability is the basis of British moral hypocrisy, and there is no praise of hypocrisy in the Bible. Respectability and its obverse, hypocrisy, are the fuel of the sexual prurience, which sells millions of tabloid newspapers and introduces an ache of guilt into millions of sexual relationships of shining purity. Yet the demands of respectability are less related to morality, even to sexuality, than to class. It was a method of social control: of the lower orders by the upper, of women by men, of the unusual by the average. Deification of respectability was a rotten basis for a public sexual morality.

The first step in the search for a healthy morality of sexual conduct has to be the rejection of respectability as the touchstone. Space would then exist for a return to true Judaeo-Christian morality. But it is no longer appropriate, if it ever was, to think of imposing this by law, or even by public pressure and the pillorying of infringers in the public stocks. If it has any appeal, that must be on its merits. Stripped of Victorian distortions, the sterling merits of this morality would surprise many people.

Far from an enemy of sex, the Judaeo-Christian sexual code is a guide to getting the best out of sex. Before HIV was ever heard of, it was a code for "safe sex", sex which harms nobody, which cements relationships, cultivates love, builds moral maturity and secures family life for children. (It also prevents transmission of disease.) That sex needs such a code is not surprising. Sexual anarchy risks damage to people at their most vulnerable.

Neither in the old sense nor the new, however, can safe sex be imposed by law. The majority of the population no longer subscribes to the view that Old and New Testament teaching, on sex or anything else, is divinely inspired. Those who still believe that it is the Word of God should draw back from insisting that their views be compulsory, even if the power to do so were in their hands. For when this degree of secularisation is reached, there is little alternative but to privatise sexual morality, accepting that henceforth it can be only a matter of individual choice, albeit also a suitable matter for unabashed debate. This must also mean leaving people free to hurt themselves or each other by their mistakes. Public morality — at least in the sense of a set of restrictions — can only be applied by law in those areas where a public good, such as the protection of children, remains underpinned by consensus. It is hard to stretch that consensus, in 1991, to outlawing the selling of sex for profit.

The ending of the grip of Victorian respectability does not herald the collapse of civilisation. It means replacing laws to enforce "Don'ts" by arguments about "Dos". The apostles of the new kind of safe sex, the anti-HIV kind, have pioneered this positive approach.

The overriding principle of Judaeo-Christian morality, before it enters into the who-does-what-to-whom of sexuality, has to be "Judge not, lest ye be judged". Nothing starting anywhere else can be called Christian. Such a starting point would be immensely attractive to a society looking for sexual first principles. It would relax the entire debate. It would not take ethics out of sex, but it would sweep away condemnation, blackmail, hypocrisy, bigotry, guilt and all the unhealthy interest in other people's sexual conduct which regularly disfigures public life. Only when we admit the way people are can we discuss how they ought to be.

Pressure for an independent review of verdicts is irresistible, says **David Pannick**

Justice cannot wait

Acquitting Catsmeat Pirbright in P.G.Wodehouse's *The Mating Season*, Esmond the Magistrate concludes: "If there's one thing that gives me the pip, it's a miscarriage of justice." That Douglas Hurd, former home secretary and now foreign secretary, is similarly aggravated by wrongful convictions will considerably advance the cause of reform of the criminal justice system.

On Wednesday, Mr Hurd appeared before the enquiry under Sir John May into the miscarriages of justice which led to the imprisonment of the Guildford Four and the Maguire Seven. In a refreshing display of open government, Mr Hurd gave the enquiry his opinion of the process by which the home secretary has power under the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 to refer cases to the Court of Appeal for reconsideration. His conclusion is that present procedures are "inadequate" to secure justice. He expressed support for the creation of an independent body with the resources to enquire into allegations of wrongful convictions, and with the power to send cases back to the Court of Appeal.

No sensible person would deny that every day juries up and down the land acquit the guilty. So there is no shame in lawyers recognising that at least occasionally, twelve fallible men and women, acting in good faith and trying their hardest to be fair, will convict the innocent. Once that less than shocking admission is made, the only question is what procedures should be adopted by the criminal justice system to rectify such errors.

The present system is obviously not working. The cases of the Guildford Four, the Maguires and the Birmingham Six have undoubtedly done serious damage to the reputation of the legal system and to the confidence of those who work within it. More shocks will be felt in the months to come. Winston Silcott is no hero, but he cannot remain imprisoned much longer for the murder of PC Blakelock at Broadwater Farm in the absence of any reliable evidence against him. The home secretary, Kenneth Baker, has referred to the Court of Appeal his case and the equally troubling case of Judith Ward, who was jailed for the M62 coach bombing in 1974.

Contrary to popular belief, most lawyers and judges are anxious that justice be done. How could it be, they are asking themselves, that for so many years defendants not guilty of the serious crimes with which they were charged were left to rot in prison? If mistakes were made in a series of such high-profile cases, how many miscarriages of justice have occurred in trials that were not so well-known?

More and more lawyers understand that the majesty of the legal system provides a hopelessly inefficient and imprecise process for establishing the truth. The theatrical tradition of cross-examination, the complex rules about admissible evidence, and the right of the defendant to silence without adverse implications being drawn are all barriers to discovering what actually occurred.

Judges who have conducted public enquiries into matters as diverse as the Brixton riots and the Hillsborough disaster have not impeded their investigations by adopting the procedures that hamper the courts. They choose much more flexible methods of finding the truth.

So it is hardly surprising that the Court of Appeal, constrained as it is by legal procedures, has proved a less than ideal forum for unravelling miscarriages of justice. The judges have neither the training, the experience, the resources nor the assistance necessary to uncover the facts.

A coalition of Douglas Hurd, the Bar Council, Justice, the Labour party, Lord Scarman and the Home Affairs Select Committee of the House of Commons might be described as a broad church in favour of the speedy creation of an independent body to assess alleged miscarriages of justice. Some members of the judiciary, but a declining number, would resist the appointment of any lay committee, which they would consider a threat to their jurisdiction. But Mr Baker would probably find that most judges, concerned about the reputation of the system, understand that reform is not a criticism of their performance but a recognition that those who are skilled in deciding the law are not best equipped to investigate the mistakes made by juries.

After all, the creation of the Court of Criminal Appeal in 1907 was the result of the miscarriage of justice by which Alfred Beck served five years in prison for an offence he had not committed. The public comments of Douglas Hurd, based on his experience of considering recent miscarriages of justice as home secretary, make it criminal for there to be any further delay in implementing reform.

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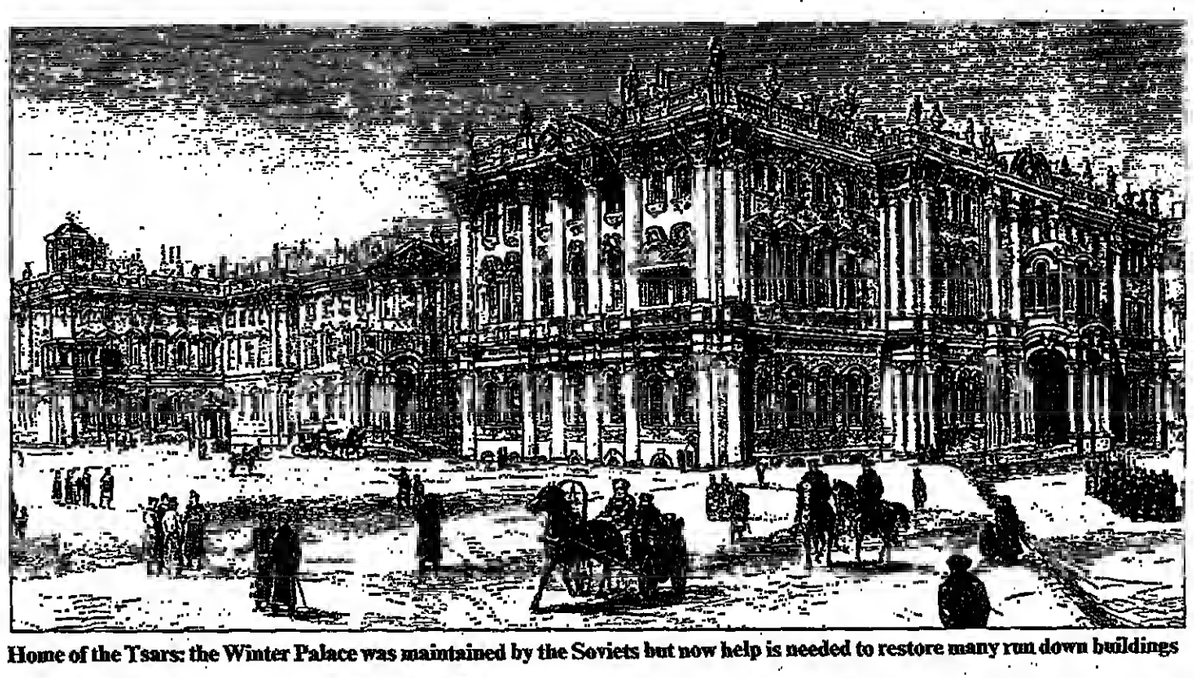
Peter looks west once more

Charles Bremner asks if the historic city on the Neva can be returned to its former glory



Home of the Tsars: the Winter Palace was maintained by the Soviets but now help is needed to restore many run down buildings

Old ghosts are stalking St Petersburg this autumn. They are the same ghosts that inhabited the stately chambers and boulevards of Russia's old capital three-quarters of a century ago. The city is suffused with hope and fear, exhilaration and despair, just as it was when the Bolshevik experiment was hatching. The mixed mood is as palpable as the chill winds now streaming off the Baltic and the morning sun that illuminates the breathtaking sweep of arch and colonnade, the autumn-tinged gardens and the green-and-white glory of the Winter Palace.

Like the rest of Russia, but perhaps more intensely because of its history as the old capital and guardian of Russian culture, Peter's city is once again waiting with some dread. This week it formally cast off the name of Lenin, and now it is purging itself of the dozens of street and district names which celebrated the Red Guard and the 1917 October revolution. It is an exercise that the financially pressed town hall of Mayor Anatoly Sobchak believes is worth every kopek of the 150 million roubles they expect it to cost.

The cruiser *Aurora*, which fired the first revolutionary volley is still moored on the Neva, and a red marble plaque still testifies the city's devotion to Lenin. But the grey pall of communism has lifted. Peter's red, white and sky blue tricolour flies from almost every palace, while the hammer and sickle is invisible except as an irrelevant symbol on the evocative black tsarist tunics of the sailors one sees marching past the busts of Gogol and Lermontov into the imperial admiralty.

But seven weeks after the failed coup in Moscow, jubilation is giving way to fear about inflation, rationing and surviving a winter of food shortages which are already stirring memories of the wartime siege. There are fears, too, about the unravelling of Russia that vast, less enlightened hinterland. St Petersburg's gaze is once again fixed firmly westward.

The name of Fabergé, the imperial jewellers, has been restored to the front of their shop in Hertzen Street, but the interior is still laden with cheap adornments for the proletariat. "It's funny," said one young entrepreneur, that most fashionable of new Petersburg classes, as he strolled past the shop, "we are just getting into the 20th century when you are all leaving it."

That melancholy sense of being left behind at the start of the jazz age, of wasting seven decades in needless sacrifice, is the refrain of almost every conversation. The older generation, communists and those brought up on the ideals of Soviet patriotism, laments the corruption and stupidity that devoured a once noble cause. Among the democrats now running the show under Mr Sobchak at the Mariinsky Palace, there is only anger and disdain for what is seen as the unmitigated evil of the big lie that was foisted on Russia. A sense of anticlimax and vacuum dominates as the city awaits new directions that, say Mr Sobchak's officials, are so slow in coming from the government, the Russian government that is, not the Soviet centre of Mikhail Gorbachev now deemed an anachronism.

Now communism is gone, there is no clear target for protest, as can be seen from the emptiness of the square in front of St Isaac's Cathedral. A few months ago, it was the bustling rallying ground for grievances against the communist state. The grievances are still felt, however, and their expression is growing louder.

In the council, the target is Mr Sobchak himself. The elected deputies are unhappy with the high-handed ways of their mayor, the articulate directly-elected reformer, to whose door Western leaders such as François Mitterrand and James Baker have lately been beating a path. His critics are particularly unhappy about his plan to move his "mairie" as he now calls it, into the Smolny Institute, legendary seat of power of the Petrograd Soviet, and the council to the Taurida Palace, home until 1917 of the Duma.

Outside the Mariinsky there is loud grumbling about the "incompetent democrats" and the empty food shops. Along the faded splendour of Nevsky Prospekt — a street now as down-at-heel as the drunken policeman I saw staggering along it early one afternoon — one sees the frustration in the faces of the children staring at the impossibly expensive goods in the new foreign-owned shops, their bright lighting only serving to deepen the Soviet gloom.

Frustration is etched, too, on the faces of young hustlers plying foreigners with army caps and other Soviet junk for the grail of hard currency, the key to the other-wordly pleasures glimpsed in the American films now showing all over the town and available from the pirate video booths.

Inevitably, as always in Russia's hardest times, the hunt for scapegoats — Jews and Asiatics — is under way. For sale on Nevsky are hate-soaked newspapers such as *Otchyzna* ("Fatherland"), the latest edition of which denounces the orgies that the "Jews and homosexuals" are said to be staging in the halls of Russia's parliament and the St Petersburg council. To head off the discontent and possible upheaval brought about by cold and penury, the old Leningrad area needs to move fast to dismantle the state economic edifice and to jumpstart the free market. Western aid and "no-khow" — a Russian Anglicism on the lips of every St Petersburg yuppie — are vital first to supply food and then to adapt the high-technology defence industries of the area.

So far the money is not pouring in. For many Western businessmen, too much political and economic uncertainty hangs over the state of St Petersburg. Mr Sobchak's people say pointedly that they will remember which countries came to their help in these times of need.

Dostoevsky's Travels, Saturday Review page 26.

...and moreover

PHILIP HOWARD

We live in an age of specialisation, and that means an age of jargon. A couple of centuries ago, an intelligent person could make a shot at understanding what professionals in other fields were talking about. But the day of the universal man, the Renaissance man, Leonardo or Goethe or Coleridge, has gone. Today we occupy enclosed sects, with esoteric jargons.

There is nobody alive, not the most acute philosopher or the most learned lexicographer, who has a hope of understanding all the languages of the warring sects. Computer programmer speaks to computer programmer, and educationist calls to educationist, and for all it means to those standing outside the business, they might be dinosaurs bellowing at each other across Neolithic swamps.

It used to be supposed that sociologists used the worst gobbledegook, but they have contributed some of their shiniest jargon to our general stock of language (charisma, Protestant ethic, and so on).

Originally, jargon simply meant the inarticulate twittering of birds. Chaucer makes the merchant in *The Canterbury Tales* speak of January as being as full of jargon as a spotted magpie. Media people twitter jargon as badly as the rest of them. We get into the habit of repeating a catchphrase until it drives our readers berserk, and we need a good friend to draw our attention gently to the irritant. "Journo" and "boo-word" are two on which my needle has got stuck at present.

Jargon comes in many shapes. But one definition of it is using words in a way that nobody outside one's own sect or speciality would ever dream of using them. The jargon of other trades is irritating, because it makes us outsiders feel patronised.

It is a jolly irony that just about the worst modern jargonauts are those whose specialities are language itself and literature. The jargon of deconstruction and post-structuralism is a jungle of aporia into which profane outsiders penetrate at their peril, with Derrida and Barthes lurking in impenetrable undergrowth, and warring forces of signification roaring in the text. The difference between *différance* and *difference* is ambiguous and untranslatable.

One way out of the aporia for those outside the literary departments of universities, those who are not true believers, is the philistine method of Alexander with the Gordian knot. We could cut out the complexities of deconstruction and post-structuralism by dismissing them as meaningless, full of sophistry and illusion, signifying nothing.

It is true that there is pseudery and nonsense around in English departments, just as there is in all departments of life. All intellectual heroes have feet of clay, which their fans ignore in the enthusiasm of the cult. But it is improbable that so many clever men and women would believe in complete nonsense for so long. In the same way, behind the rebarbative jargon of sociology, even the dreaded Talcott Parsons has important points to make about the way we live.

Behind the jargon of deconstruction, they have developed interesting new ways of looking at texts. Deconstruction is similar in meaning to analysis, which literally means "undoing". It focuses on rhetoric, the different levels of meaning in a text, and the divisions which lie at the heart of meaning itself. But when Derrida makes his well-known proposition, "*Il n'y a rien hors du texte*" — that is, one cannot evaluate, criticise, or construc a meaning for a text by reference to anything external to it — he is talking nonsense. History, biography, religion, the change of meaning in words, and many other factors are useful in understanding a text. To dismiss them all as irrelevant is characteristic arrogance of enthusiasts.

We need to understand what critical theorists are up to, because it is important, in spite of their jargon and arrogance. A good place to start for the plain man is with J.A. Cuddon's *A Dictionary of Literary Terms and Literary Theory*, which is just out in its third edition. Its size confirms that literary criticism has one of the largest jargons. Its generous humanity helps you to tell your *différance* from your *difference*, without saying that all previous critics have got it wrong.

For the benefit of Mr Major

A FRESH insight into the colourful career of John Major's theatrical father is exciting the prime minister's family this weekend. Some time ago Terry Major-Ball, the prime minister's brother, appealed for information about the career of their father, with the thought of writing a biography. Now a London bookshop has turned up an unknown poster of nearly 80 years ago, which it plans to present to the prime minister.

The poster, dated June 8, 1914, lists Tom and Kitty Major as the third act in a variety night at the Argyle Theatre of Varieties, which was flattened during a second world war bombing raid.

David Drummond, owner of the London specialist bookshop Pleasures of Past Times, says: "It must have been tucked in the back of the drawer about 15 years ago

when no one had heard of John Major. It's an extraordinary find."

The prime minister's brother Terry agrees. "It's a fascinating discovery. I have done extensive research on our family history and have not found any such posters. I hope after people read about this others may turn up. I know John will be excited; I keep him in touch with all my research."

Major's mother, Gwen, a dancer regularly appeared in Tom and Kitty's act as a a dancer. Kitty died in 1928, and Gwen and Tom were married the following year. But as ever in politics, there are strings attached. The bookshop which found the poster is threatened with closure, crippled by high rents and the business rate element of the poll tax. Drummond is writing to John Major about the find — and hopes at the same time to enlist the prime minister's aid over the plight of his and other bookshops in Cecil Court, the famous London passageway.

Instant history

PRESIDENT GORBACHEV has done rather well out of the failed August coup. Not only did he get his old job back, but he has now picked up $500,000 for writing an account of his three-day stay in the Crimean dacha under house arrest. That works out at $1,157 for every minute he was there. Mike Tyson and Frank Sinatra probably earn faster, but this puts the president in an élite league. The book, to be called *August Coup*, has been bought by HarperCollins, and the 74-page account will appear "by the end of the month".

The book promises to be gripping — providing, says Peter Frank of Essex University, that a fine writer is lined up to assist with the words. Gorbachev, for all his qualities is no Leo Tolstoy. "Books in the past by both Gorbachev and Raisa have been interesting in parts but have suffered from being written in Sov-speak," says Frank.

● *As Haiti discovered this week, one sure sign of a military coup is the replacement of news broadcasts with round-the-clock classical music, or "coup music", as it has become known. Chopin's "Revolutionary Etude", Shostakovich's second symphony "October Revolution", or his twelfth, "The year 1917", were classic Cold War examples. Among Haiti's more appropriate offerings this week have been Berlioz' "March to the Scaffold" and Verdi's "The Force of Destiny".*

National stage

LITTLE-KNOWN secrets of the House of Commons wartime role are due to be unveiled next week at an exhibition to mark the 50th anniversary of the bombing of parliament.

The exhibition, at the Museum of London, will reunite the surviving members of Westminster's very own Dad's Army, the parliamentary home guard unit, and will detail the plans, never realised, to evacuate both houses to Stratford-upon-Avon, where the Commons would have debated in the Royal Shakespere Theatre and the Lords in the conference hall.

Somerset de Chair, now aged 80, who as an MP urged Winston Churchill in 1941 to hold an architectural competition for the restoration of the Commons chamber, says: "I forced a division, but I was the only vote in favour, with about 330 against. The debate took place in the Lords, which was virtually undamaged. Churchill was determined that Sir Giles Gilbert Scott should carry it out."

Wall finds the door

ON THE EVE of the Tory party conference, one of the last surviving figures of the Thatcher era in Tory central office has decided to quit. As predicted here four months ago, Christine Wall, who was hand-picked by Mrs Thatcher to head the press office and act as her eyes and ears in Central Office, is resigning for a job in industry.

Wall, the senior press officer, who has continued to accompany Mrs Thatcher on many of her overseas trips, has been unhappy since John Major introduced a new broom. She has never seen eye to eye with the new party chairman, Chris Patten, or his director of communications, Shaun Woodward.

Now her decision to take a job with Nestlé, instead of joining the Thatcher Foundation as had been expected, fuels rumours that funding of the foundation is in serious trouble.

● *Oh dear. London Buses' latest advertising campaign rails — quite rightly — against selfish motorists who park their cars in bus lanes. Unfortunately the advert shows a 149 bus alongside a bus-stop which clearly says "Camden Town". The advert then accuses the motorist parked in front of the bus of disrupting the lives of 61 local people. But the 149 route runs from Enfield to Mansion House and doesn't go anywhere near Camden. "We admit that it was staged as it's terribly difficult to get real shots of that kind of incident," says a spokesman. A photographic expert employed stronger words: "No question about it — the picture is a classic paste-up job." A complaint to the Advertising Standards Authority cannot be far away.*

BR'S BLIGHTED LINK

John Major's decisioo to postpone the electioo until oext year is already devastating Whitehall with "decision blight". Nowhere is this more glaring than over the high-speed rail link from London to the Channel tunnel. Ministers who like to portray British government as a well-oiled machine compared with the inert regimes of Italy and Spain should hang their heads in shame.

Despite knowing from the start that the Channel tunnel project would be riddled with public-sector implications including overt or covert subsidies, ministers find themselves crippled with indecision whenever called upon to say yes or oo, whether to a grant or a planning permission. Malcolm Rifkind at transport and Michael Heseltine at environment are patently praying for new jobs rather than face the hostility of Kent, the railway, the tunnel interests and the Treasury. Never have so many been held to ransom by the funk of so few.

The first fault lies with Margaret Thatcher's notorious 1987 Channel Tunnel act and all those who willed it through cabinet. It contained clauses preventing public subsidy for capital and operating costs, for tunnel, rail link and terminals. The traveller who bought a ticket for Paris at King's Cross or Waterloo was to be conveyed to his destination without a penny of taxpayers' money to speed him on the way. No minister at the time believed any of this, as the French derisively pointed out. The chickens have now come home to roost.

There has always been a simple way out: to treat the high-speed link as a new bit of commuter railway to be leased to grateful tunnel users. Thus could the government make sure a route was declared, termini built and British industry and its railways covered in the same glory now beckoning the French. This idea has been round Whitehall for four years without anybody daring to bring it to fruition.

The latest sign of the fiasco is at Ashford. Prefab huts have had to be proposed because nobody can say from which pot should come the money (extravagantly put at £188 million) that BR needs for a proper station. It is already too late to have a new station in time for the first trains in June 1993. The government, recognising that the dogma behind clause 42 of the 1987 act is now untenable, should step in with specific loans or grants to enable the station to be built as soon as possible.

The 1987 act did not preclude public expenditure of £68 million for extensions to the south Kent motorway network to improve roads to the tunnel terminals, which made nonsense of the no-subsidy rule. Why public policy should favour road rather than rail travel in this way was never explained. Such was the government's anti-rail prejudice that it would neither charge for use of the roads, thus equalising competition with rail, nor subsidise rail, equalising competition with the roads.

The same muddle applies to the tunnel's direct competitors, ferries and airports, who continue to enjoy millions of pounds in duty-free subsidies not permitted the railways. Nor did the 1987 act stop subsidy — officially public support for London commuter services — for the upgrading of the existing rail routes in Kent, costing £1.5 billion, in preparation for the tunnel's opening before the high-speed link is built.

British Rail has now submitted its "preferred route" for the new railway to the government to be considered by the cabinet in the next few weeks. Battle is already joined between Mr Rifkind and Mr Heseltine over these routes, between the King's Cross and Stratford East termini respectively. The chief difference between them is that the BR-Rifkind-King's Cross route is the most central, the most sensible, the most easily cross-subsidised and the most likely to be built. The chief virtue of the Stratford route is that it is as yet unplanned and unsafeguarded. It thus offers everybody a golden opportunity to hesitate and delay beyond an election. Such are among the real costs of Mr Major's election decision.

JAPAN'S POLITICAL MYSTERIES

If few Westerners understand Japan, fewer still will understand the unexpected resignation of its prime minister, Toshiki Kaifu. The country takes its place at the top table at all international organisations, as the wealthiest, second most powerful industrial democracy in the world. Increasingly, Japan is regarded as part of "the West". It is oot. Its byzantine politics reflect a society still largely unchanged by Western ideas and values.

The resignation oo Thursday of Ryutaro Hashimoto, the finance minister, revealed long-standing acceptance of intrigue and business practices incomprehensible elsewhere. The decision yesterday by the prime minister oot to resist the intense pressure on him from party elders to step down next month underlines again the veiled nature of power in Japan's factional democracy.

Mr Kaifu has been forced out of office after only two years, despite domestic popularity and a good recovery of his Liberal Democratic Party from embarrassing scandals that toppled his two predecessors. He was chosen as a "Mr Clean" who was a compromise choice from the smallest of the five main factions. Using his popularity, he was emboldened to tackle the international issues that were isolating Japan among its friends.

Foreign policy for Mr Kaifu, as for most of his predecessors, was essentially a means to huff up his domestic image. This did not protect him from the failure of the package of domestic political reforms, forced on the reluctant party by the Recruit scandal. When it failed to win approval, the party heaved a sigh of relief and deserted him.

The machine, it seems, has won. His successor will probably come from a trio of powerful men behind the scenes: Kiichi Miyazawa and Michio Watanabe, former finance ministers, or Hiroshi Mitsuzuka, a former trade minister. None is an outstanding politician. And none is likely to alter the central thrust of Japanese policy.

In the West a new leader emerges from the rough-and-tumble of confrontational politics, and seeks to establish his own profile and line. In Japan politics works by consensus. No single politician can give a response until all views have been solicited — as the West has found to its exasperation. More importantly, politicians in Japan do not make policy. This is drawn up by bureaucrats, senior civil servants who are usually well-educated, well-travelled, versed in Western ways and able to prepare briefing papers to which ministers stick rigidly. Apart from Yasuhiro Nakasone, the former prime minister, virtually no Japanese politician is able to think on his feet, articulate policy or negotiate in a one-to-one session.

All this is in keeping with a long tradition of courtesy, consensus, indirect negotiation and the subjection of individuality to society's common aspirations. Life in Japan is very different from the image given by consumer products that are perfectly tailored to a Western way of life. A more accurate portrayal is given by the current Japanese exhibition in Britain, itself planned and organised entirely by Japanese.

Yet pressure for change is growing. It comes mainly from a different and often disaffected younger generation in Japan, more influenced by Western ideas, more individualistic and outspoken than their elders. And with the end of the cold war, the American political and defence shield will be removed. Japan will have to start thinking more for itself on foreign relations, defence and international security. Its politicians must begin to show the initiative and energy demonstrated so far almost exclusively in the country's vibrant industry and trade.

Without much insight into the country, the West has made much of the Japanese economic challenge. Japan's ruling establishment is at last beginning to understand the political challenge of the West.

DISCRETION OF THE VALIANT

The Bomber Command Association should abandon its project to erect a statue to Sir Arthur "Bomber" Harris outside St Clement Danes in the Strand. For the veterans of Bomber Command, whose British and Commoowealth aircrews lost 55,573 dead in the highest British casualty rate of the war, the absence of a public tribute to their leader may be bitter. But it is justified by more than the danger of reopening old wounds, evidenced by *The Times* story last week that German mayors, led by those of Dresden and Pforzheim, object strongly to the statue.

Correspondeoce on the story, as oo this page today, indicates that partisan emotions are still aroused by Harris's war record. The public was deceived by the government about the indiscriminate nature of the night raids, and in the absence of any other way of hitting Germany itself, the strategic air offensive was a morale-booster at home. A *Times* leader voiced the country's mood after the first thousand-bomber raid: "These first blasts of the whirlwind that Hitler, who sowed the wind at Warsaw and Rotterdam, has oow to reap have raised the spirits of the fighters for freedom everywhere."

Churchill used area bombing as a substitute for the second front io his diplomatic poker-game with Stalin. All along, Churchill willed the end: Harris merely gave him the means. The means was the "de-housing" of as many Germans as possible; the end was to break their morale. The policy failed. Some 600,000 German civilians died, but the Nazi war machine did not break until the spring of 1945. Harris's superiors never persuaded him to switch the huge bomber force he had built by 1944 to concentrate on precise targets such as oil refineries or transport. But neither was he dismissed.

The area bombing of cities continued unchecked by anything except resources. These were colossal: some historians put the figure as high as one third of the entire British war effort. Harris was supported by the public, military commanders and politicians alike until almost the end of the war and he used his reputation to ignore protests from Bishop Bell of Chichester and others, and override the scruples of deeply worried subordinates.

Only with the destruction of Dresden three months before the armistice did public opinion, and Churchill, turn against saturation bombing. Once Germany was occupied and the scale of the devastation became clear, Harris was made the scapegoat. He died seven years ago. But he never pretended he was only obeying orders. He was a fanatical believer in carpet bombing of civilians and once said that all the cities of Germany were not worth the bones of a British grenadier.

Harris was undoubtedly treated shabbily but the policy of which he was so outspoken an advocate was a severe blot on Britain's war record. What was reprehensible was that his treatment should have diminished the reputation of his brave men. They received no campaign medal. They at least deserve proper commemoration; their association should direct itself to that end.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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A 'grand debate' urged to resolve Britain's doubts on future role in Europe

From Lord Harris of High Cross and others

Sir, Whatever may be thought to be the "correct" balance between concessions and standing firm in the negotiations leading up to the Maastricht conference, the dominant pressures on the government will be to concede too much, in the hope of minimising friction with our *European partners in the run-up to a* general election in the new year.

The fiasco of the short-lived Dutch draft treaty (report and leading article, October 1) illustrates how far the historic issue of Europe's future can become the plaything of cynical compromises struck as by-products of short-term, domestic pressures, to the neglect of enduring constitutional, economic and political principles.

Although the prime minister did well to help see off the Dutch draft, a return to the Luxembourg version provides no comfort. The removal of the word "federal" would do nothing to expunge centralising ambitions from the minds of many participants whose domestic politics are governed by coalitions committed in varying degree to corporatism, co-determination and other collectivist fancies.

Would not the strengthening of the Commission and the Euro-Parliament at the expense of the Council of Ministers, and the wholesale extension of qualified majority voting far beyond the single market, increasingly supplant Westminster and threaten to undo the British liberalisation of the 1980s, which has had much more influence in the East than in Western Europe? If economic union led to a single European money would that not effectively mean a single European chancellor of the exchequer?

These and many other centralising tendencies are supported by some European partners, perhaps less from conviction than in contemplation of massive subsidies provided by the Community to accommodate their less-developed economies to the rigours of monetary union and the costs of uniform minimum wages, welfare, working conditions and so on. Would not all this in turn raise prohibitive barriers against new members from Eastern Europe?

In defence and foreign policy, majority voting would inevitably commit Britain to action — or inaction — at the behest of often petty European calculations that ignored Britain's wider interests. Must we not ensure that our North Atlantic and Commonwealth commitments remain of paramount concern?

Do the British people want all — or much — of this? Does support for Europe in opinion polls mean enthusiasm for any old — or new — Europe? How many fully understand what is at stake? Should not party leaders want to know what voters really think on these momentous issues? Do they not *need* to know, before they contemplate signing solemn treaties in the name of the British people?

There is no secret that both Conservative and Labour parties are divided on this issue in Parliament, as no doubt are their supporters, present or potential, in the country. The Liberal Democrats alone are committed to some vision of European federalism, but might not even they have some reservations?

It may serve the immediate cause of party leaders to damp down discussioo on the European issue for fear of exposing or exacerbating internal divisions. But what about the larger, permanent cause of democracy? If any government moves further or faster towards political and economie union than informed opinion would currently welcome, it can hardly rely on party loyalty to head off an embittered reckoning, should things turn out less happily than uncritical federalists now hope.

Before conceding or withholding approval of any binding commitment at Maastricht in eight weeks' time, HM government needs some assurance that its fateful decision will have the informed support of the British people. It simply will not do to negotiate in secret and then rely on the whips to force the resulting compromise through Parliament.

What is urgently required is a much more open, wide-ranging public debate. Some of us believe the best focus would be a campaign for a referendum on this issue, but that of course raises such difficulties as phrasing the question and timing a decision. The undersigned would therefore welcome a "grand debate" on Britain's future in Europe and beyood, to be conducted without the inhibition so convenient to myopic party managers.

As a start we urge editors, radio and television producers to give more space and time to airing the issues and encouraging the full expression of rival opinions. A lesson we would commend to voters from the successful campaign against Sunday trading is that between elections MPs' mailbags are the most sensitive targets for registering public attitudes on specific issues. Let constitueots make their views known to their members, who in turn should be asked to declare where they stand.

We believe there are few issues of more profound historic and everyday practical import than the good governance of Britain and its future relations with all nations of Europe — and far beyond.

Yours faithfully,
RALPH HARRIS,
NORMAN BARRY, BAUER,
JOHN BURTON,
CHAPPLE of HOXTON,
TIM CONGDON, DENNING,
DEVONSHIRE, KEITH JOSEPH,
BERNARD JUBY,
WILLIAM LETWIN,
MARSH, PATRICK MINFORD,
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October 4.

Should the DPP have resigned?

From Mr Keith Evans

Sir, I met Allan Green, whose resignation as Director of Public Prosecutions you report today, during my, and his, first week at Cambridge way back in 1955. I liked him the moment I met him and I have liked him ever since.

Allan is one of the kindest, nicest men in England. He was the straightest, fairest and most effective prosecutor I ever encountered — and I encountered most of them — and at a time when England's system of criminal justice had devolved into such a shameful mess. He was one of the brightest lights in the darkness, many would say the brightest light. He was the best director of public prosecutions within living memory.

What is so utterly appalling is that we all seem to be taking it for granted that he must now go. Are the British as hypocritical as that? Times have changed, sexual mores have changed, attitudes have changed.

When I started at the bar nearly 30 years ago divorce was still regarded as shameful; homosexuality was in the cupboard and criminal into the bargain, adultery an actionable offence. Whether we like it or not, things are different now, and the idea of losing one of England's finest public servants for this kind of reason and without pausing to think it over for a moment is rank stupidity.

Which, after all, is more reprehensible — drink-driving or what Allan is supposed to have done? Drink-driving risks killing and paralysing innocent victims, yet at least two of England's most senior judges have been guilty of that offence. Did they resign? Of course not.

One of the facts of life is that even the most intelligent of men can be knocked off balance by sexual stupidities. It has happened all the way through history and always will.

Surely the time has come for a bit of straight thinking. Allan Green is a top-class DPP. England needs him and his kindly wisdom in these difficult times. Let everyone who knows the quality of his work and the quality of his humanity rise up and demand that his resignation be withdrawn.

It would be a heartening commentary on the English people at the end of the 20th century if Allan Green were restored to his office by acclaim.

Yours etc.,
KEITH EVANS,
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(Attorneys at Law),
401 B Street,
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October 4.

From Mr David Holbrook

Sir, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn declares, on the radio, over the resignation of the DPP, that people in high places should not be penalised for events that take place in their private lives. But a person who commits adultery must surely be liable to be duplicitous and to tell lies. In a word, he or she demonstrates unscrupulousness. Does Sir Nicholas mean that this does not matter nowadays?

Yours etc.,
DAVID HOLBROOK,
Denmore Lodge,
Brunswick Gardens, Cambridge.
October 4.

Hindsight on the ethics of saturation bombing

From Sir Frederic Bennett

Sir, Mr William Hetherington (October 3) is quite right to point out that it is not only Germans who are disturbed by the proposals to erect a statue to "Bomber" Harris.

There were many serving in the forces during the last war, including bumbly myself, who felt unhappy about saturation bombing of civilian populations, whichever contestants indulged in it.

Let us ask ourselves what would be the reaction today of the average Briton if he or she were to read that the Germans proposed to erect a new memorial, *now*, in Berlin, honouring the senior Luftwaffe officer responsible for ordering the bombing of Coventry.

Yours etc.,
F. M. BENNETT,
2 Stone Buildings,
Lincoln's Inn, WC2.

From Mr Arthur Davis

Sir, Cities and citizens have been in the front line of total war at least since the aerial bombardments of China by Japan and of Guernica by the Germans in the thirties. I doubt if the citizens of Dresden would have preferred to change places with the inhabitants of Leningrad, the Warsaw ghetto, or Oradour-sur-Glane.

Whether great military or other exploits should be memorialised, whether they should be memorialised in public statuary, whether they should be memorialised in statues of actual people — these are the questions that should give the proponents of the "Bomber" Harris scheme pause, particularly in the light of the fate that has recently befallen a number of public personalised monuments in eastern Europe and other parts of the former Soviet "empire".

Yours faithfully,
ARTHUR DAVIS,
14 Queens Gate Gardens, SW7.

From Dr H. G. Muller

Sir, I read with disbelief and disgust that a monument is to be erected to "Bomber" Harris.

Certainly, a public remembrance to the very brave British airmen is long overdue, so long as the names of the instigators of the barbarity are not mentioned.

I survived the air raids on Cologne as a teenager.

Yours faithfully,
H. G. MULLER,
10 Tredgold Crescent,
Bramhope,
Leeds, West Yorkshire.
October 3.

From Mrs R. N. Harrison

Sir, The narrow arguments about a memorial to Sir Arthur Harris illustrate a national embarrassment about the need, in war, to attack as well as to defend. On those terms it is acceptable to have young men exult in the sight of enemies going down in flames, but not to acknowledge the deaths of Bomber Command aircrew doing what was their duty in wartime.

The lack of official recognition of the unequalled courage of the young men who, with the country's blessing, took the war back to the enemy cruelly diminishes the self-sacrifice of those who died. No medal, no annual service but periodic reassessments, with hindsight, of Bomber Command's wartime role — these demonstrate the nation's desire to appear always to defend, never to attack.

Yours faithfully,
NANCY HARRISON,
The Long Acre, Silver Street,
Minety, Malmesbury, Wiltshire.

From Professor Emeritus J. K. Russell

Sir, From January 1943 until the middle of 1944, I was a medical officer in RAF Bomber Command. Civilians often stopped me in the streets of London and thanked me for "what you are doing". (As I generally wore a raincoat or greatcoat they failed to appreciate that I was merely a medical officer.) None ever questioned or criticised the bombing campaign.

In the closing weeks of the war, when I was with the RAF formation that helped to liberate Copenhagen, I met a number of English-speaking Wehrmacht and Luftwaffe officers. Several made the point that the first serious doubts they had about the outcome of the war came when, on leave, they saw the devastation caused by RAF attacks on their homeland, until then regarded as inviolate.

There has, I believe, been a persistent failure to recognise the effect the RAF's bombing campaign had on the morale of the British and their enemies. The erection of a statue to Harris would be fitting recognition, albeit belated, to the thousands of aircrew who lost their lives in bringing home to the enemy the full horror of the aerial warfare which they started.

Yours faithfully,
J. K. RUSSELL,
Newlands, Tranwell Woods,
Morpeth, Northumberland.

From Lord Deramore

Sir, The erection of a statue of Sir Arthur Harris is long overdue, as Mr Alan Bramson says (September 30). Sir Arthur was appointed Commander-in-Chief Bomber Command in February 1942, but had a long record of service to this country before that date, having been born in 1892 and fought in the first world war with the Royal Flying Corps.

In claiming that Bomber Command's Firebomb offensive was "militarily senseless" (report, September 28) the German council leaders ignore a published statement by Albert Speer [Hitler's architect]:

As far as I can judge from the accounts I have read no one has yet seen that this was the greatest battle lost on the German side. The losses from the retreats in Russia or from the surrender of Stalingrad were considerably less. Moreover, the nearly 20,000 anti-aircraft guns stationed in the homeland could almost have doubled the anti-tank defences on the eastern front.

Yours sincerely,
DERAMORE,
Heslington House, Aislaby,
Pickering, North Yorkshire.

From Mr John A. Atkinson

Sir, I have been in correspondence with the German President, Dr Richard von Weizsäcker, and am pleased to quote from his speech to the Bundestag on May 8, 1985, the fortieth anniversary of the cessation of hostilities, a copy of which he sent me. A relevant passage translates:

May 8 was a day of liberation. It liberated all of us from the system of National Socialist despotism which despised human beings.

When the statue of "Bomber" Harris is unveiled next year I shall think of him and the 55,000 young men of Bomber Command who gave their lives in the cause of the liberation which President Weizsäcker so graciously acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN A. ATKINSON,
Colichemarde, 79 Hadlow Road,
Tonbridge, Kent.

From Mr D. B. Sinclair

Sir, This country owes a debt to all who fought in the second world war, but why spend £100,000 on a memorial to one man? Surely a plaque costing up to, say, £5,000, with the balance being used to help either the young or ex-servicemen or their families would be more appropriate.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID SINCLAIR,
Vine Farmhouse, Isington,
Alton, Hampshire.

Small change

From Mr Tom Bannister

Sir, My bank has received a cheque for refund of Danish tax deducted from a small dividend on shares. The refund is for 48 kroner; its value, at an exchange rate of 11.335, is £4.23. The bank requires £7 to negotiate the cheque.

I am returning it to the Danish tax authorities, requesting that it be donated to a children's charity.

Yours faithfully,
TOM BANNISTER,
309 Bloomfield Road, Bath, Avon.

Unity through golf

From Sir Anthony Grant, MP for Cambridgeshire South West (Conservative)

Sir, While I agree with much of Mr Howarth's letter (October 1), may I say that the one depressing feature of an otherwise magnificent Ryder Cup match was the crowd frenzy it seemed to engender. Partisan hysteria is endemic io soccer and boxing and recently, alas, in one-day cricket.

It will be sad if golf, the last bastion of sporting etiquette, becomes afflicted. Why cannot people these days enjoy a sporting contest without losing control of themselves?

Yours faithfully,
ANTHONY GRANT,
House of Commons.

Harvest boon

From the Reverend J. Bramley

Sir, Despite the present economic gloom and belt-tightening days, our local high school's harvest festival reflected a more optimistic climate. A tin of caviare was displayed amongst the harvest produce.

Is this a more reliable indication of the nation's economic recovery than the Chancellor's recent claims?

Yours faithfully,
JEFFREY BRAMLEY,
29 Dundalk Lane, Cheslyn Hay,
Walsall, West Midlands.

Darwin's children

From Professor William T. Stearn

Sir, Fiona McCarthy (Saturday Review, September 28) refers to Charles Darwin, having married his cousin, "fathering so many sickly, backward and neurotic children, who showed all the signs of being inbred".

Admittedly three died in infancy, as did many Victorian children. However, of the surviving "sickly, backward" ones, William, a successful banker, lived to 75; Henrietta, author, to 87; George, FRS, professor of astrooomy, Cambridge, to 67; Elizabeth to 79; Francis, FRS, lecturer in botany, Cambridge, to 77; Leonard, major in the Royal Engineers, to 93; Horace, FRS, founder of the Cambridge Instrument Company and mayor of Cambridge, to 79.

Election to the Royal Society, like the Royal Academy, may at times be erratic but "backwardness", except as manifested by three of Darwin's sons, has never been a qualification.

Outbreeding maintains variability and evolutionary potential but occasional inbreeding, as in the Darwin-Wedgwood family, may concentrate the good qualities of a good stock.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIAM T. STEARN,
17 High Park Road,
Kew Gardens, Richmond, Surrey.

Spreading doubt

From Mr Roger J. Southam

Sir, I sympathise with Mr Rigby's difficulty (letters, September 30, October 2) in finding a suitable concise verb to describe buttering his bread. However, I have still to yet find a suitable comestible substitute.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER J. SOUTHAM,
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Great Peter Street, SW1.

From Dr J. Coisley

Sir, The French, of course, have already thought of it — to *tartine*.

Yours sincerely,
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Hungerford, Berkshire.

From Mr David N. F. Logan-Brown

Sir, The word Mr Rigby is looking for is "ruin".

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
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Newton Stewart, Wigtownshire.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 4: The Queen received The Amir of the State of Kuwait this morning.

The Princess Royal visited Liverpool and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Merseyside (Mr Henry E. Coltoo).

Her Royal Highness, President, Riding for the Disabled Association, visited Beechley Stables, Liverpool.

Afterwards The Priocess Royal opened the new extension at Park Road Sports Centre, Liverpool.

Subsequently Her Royal Highness opened a new development at Liverpool Wastewater Treatment Works, Sandoo Dock.

Finally The Princess Royal opened the refurbished and extended Creamery at the Galloway Creamery, Stranraer and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Wigtown (Major Edward Orr Ewing).

Mrs David Bowes Lyon was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 4: The Duke of Gloucester, Colonel in Chief, Royal Pioneer Corps, this morning received General Sir John Stibbon on relinquishing the appointment of Colonel Commandant and Major General Geoffrey Field on assuming the appointment.

The Duchess of Gloucester today was admitted to the Freedom and called upon the Livery of the Worshipful Company of Basketmakers at Tallow Chandlers' Hall, 4 Dowgate Hill, London, EC4.

Mrs Howard Page and Miss Suzanne Marland was in attendance.

Forthcoming marriages

The Reverend A.J.L. Barnett and Miss E.E. Hichens
The engagement is announced between the Reverend Alec James Leon Barnett, of Tresillian, Cornwall, younger son of the late Mr and Mrs Alec Barnett, of Penarth, Glamorgan, and Elisabeth Esther, elder daughter of the Reverend T.S. and Mrs Hichens, of Lamorna, Cornwall.

Mr M.A.R. Cawdron and Mrs J.M. Bray
The engagement is announced between Michael Cawdron, of Whitbourne, and Jill Bray, of Malvern, Worcestershire.

Mr N. Douch and Miss S. Korth
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, second son of Dr and Mrs Douch, of Forest Row, Sussex, and Susanna, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Stuart Korth, of Forest Row, Sussex.

Mr T.A. Gleeson and Miss S. Dungate
The engagement is announced between Timothy, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Gleeson, of Angmering, West Sussex, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Terry Dungate, of Crowthorne, Berkshire.

Mr M.S. Gray and Miss J.C. Gledson
The engagement is announced between Mark, younger son of Mr and Mrs D.S. Gray, of Chester-le-Street, County Durham, and Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.N. Gledson, of Cropwell Butler, Nottinghamshire.

Mr R.N. Greville and Miss E.P. Rawlins
The engagement is announced between Robin, elder soo of Mr Nigel Greville, of l'Escala, Spaio, and Mrs Marie Simmonds, of Newton Barnes, Northumberland, and Elizabeth Pepys, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Pepys Rawlins, of Stroud, Hampshire.

Lieutenant S.J.Le M. Mitchell, RN and Miss E.M. George
The engagement is announced between Simon, second son of Mr and Mrs John Mitchell, of Haresfield Court, Gloucestershire, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward George, of Dulwich Village, London.

Mr M.M. Shelton and Miss H.T. Barr
The engagement is announced between Mark, elder son of the late Mr Brian Shelton and of Mrs Elizabeth Shelton, of Gnosall, Staffordshire, and Tamsio, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John D. Barr, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

Mr A. Smith and Miss O.L. Stewart-Hayes
The engagement is announced between Adrian, eldest son of Mr J. Smith and of Mrs Fabiola Mirna Juméau, of Grimsby, Lincolnshire and Oodréa Lynette, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Henry Hayes, of Fulwood Park, Liverpool.

Mr J.H.M. Strong and Miss E.C. Shaw
The engagement is announced between Harry, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Strong, of Mvurwi, Zimbabwe, and Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs David Shaw, of Sheffield, South Yorkshire.

Mr T.H. Turner and Miss L. Murray Smith
The engagement is announced between Tobias, son of Squadron Leader and Mrs Patrick Turner, of Upavon, Wiltshire, and Lucinda, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Murray Smith, of Avening, Gloucestershire.

Mr A.T.K. Westenberger and Miss C. Brocksom
The engagement is announced between Andrew, only son of Mr and Mrs Karl Westenberger, of Worle, Weston-super-Mare, Avon, and Clare, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Brocksom, of Amersham, Buckinghamshire.

Marriages

Mr P.R. Hassall and Dr J.H. Jacomb-Hood
The marriage between Peter Hassall and Julia Jacomb-Hood took place oo September 27, in Blackheath.

Dr D.K. Russell and Miss J.A. Legget
The marriage took place in Edinburgh, on Friday, September 27, 1991, between Dr Douglas Keith Russell, younger son of Dr and Mrs Gerald Russell, of Harcourt Road, West Malvern, and Miss Jane Anne Legget, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Robin Legget, of Succoth Avenue, Edinburgh.

Dr M.J. Sewell and Miss C.L.H. Warwick
A service of blessing was held on Saturday, September 28, in Selwyn College Chapel, Cambridge, following the marriage oo Friday, of Dr Michael Sewell, younger son of Mr and Mrs E.D. Sewell, of Whitby, and Miss Claire Warwick, daughter of the late Mr K.B. Warwick and of Mrs G.M. Warwick, of Everton. The Dean of Chapel, the Rev Canon J.P.M. Sweet, officiated.

Miss Alison Sefcick, Miss Helena Jarvis, Miss Imogen Gower and Mr Brian Ward were in attendance.

A reception was held in College and the honeymoon is being spent abroad via the Orient Express.

Anniversaries

Today

BIRTHS: Denis Diderot, philosopher and encyclopaedist, Langres, France, 1713; William Wilkie, "the Scottish Homer", Dalmeny, 1721; Chester Arthur, 21st president of the USA 1881-85, Fairfield, Vermoot, 1830.

DEATHS: Charles Cornwallis, 1st Marquess Cornwallis, soldier and statesman, Ghazipore, Iodia, 1805; Jacques Offenbach, composer, Paris, 1880; Jean Vigo, film director, Paris, 1934; Alfred Kroeber, anthropologist and archaeologist, Paris, 1960.

The R101 airship crashed near Beauvais, France with a death roll of 47, 1930. The Jarrow march of the unemployed began their journey to London, 1936.

Tomorrow

BIRTHS: Matteo Ricci, Jesuit priest, missionary io China, Macerata, Italy, 1552; Neville Maskelyne, astronomer royal 1765-1811, Loodon, 1732; Thomas Attwood, Chartist leader, Halesowen, Worcestershire, 1783; Jenny Lind, soprano, Stockholm, 1820; Le Corbusier (Charles-Edouard Jeoneret), architect, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland, 1887; Jaoet Gaynor, film actress, Philadelphia, 1906.

DEATHS: William Tyndale, translator of the Bible, burnt at the stake, Vilvorde, Belgium, 1536; Charles Stewart Parnell, champion of Home Rule for Ireland, Brighton, 1891; William Henry Smith, statesman and bookseller, London, 1891; Alfred Tennyson, 1st Baron Tennyson, Poet Laureate 1850-92, Aldworth, Surrey, 1892; George Du Maurier, caricaturist and oovelist, London, 1896; Alfred Deakin, prime minister of Australia, 1903-04, 1905-08, 1909-10, Melbourne, 1919; Mohamed Anwar el-Sadat, prosideot of Egypt 1970-81, assassinated, Cairo, 1981.

Over 20,000 pilgrims went to Lourdes, France, where oo February 11, 1858 two girls claimed to have had a vision of the Virgin Mary, 1872, Chiang Kai-shek (1887-1975) became president of China, 1928.

Appointments

Air Vice-Marshal Sir William Wratten to be Director General, Saudi Armed Forces Project, in the rank of air marshal, on February 1, in succession to Air Marshal Sir Ronald Stuart-Paul. Sir William will serve as deputy director general of the project during the handing over period, which began on September 30.

Mr Alan Broughton Taylor and Mr Simon Stewart Coltart to be circuit judges, assigned to the Midland and Oxford Circuit and the South Eastern Circuit respectively.

Mr John Guy Storry to be a full-time Immigration Adjudicator, from October 1.

Mr Clive Mather, Personnel Director for Shell UK Oil, to be a part-time member of the Equal Opportunities Commission.

Sir John Bielloch, Lieutenant-General Sir Derek Boorman and Sir Christopher Curwen m be members of the Security Commission.

Service luncheon

The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment
Brigadier M.J. Doyle, President of The Queen's Royal Surrey Regimental Association, presided at an Officers' Club ladies' luncheon held yesterday at Clandoo Park, Surrey.

OBITUARIES

SIR LESLIE MAVOR

Air Marshal Sir Leslie (Deane) "Duke" Mavor, KCB, AFC, former principal of the Home Defence College, Easingwold, died on October 2 aged 75. He was born on January 18, 1916.

WHEN the Heath government resolved in the early 1970s to revive pubbc interest in civil defence — which had been placed on a care and maintenance basis by Harold Wilson — Duke (as he was universally known) Mavor was one of those to whom it turned. His specialised knowledge and his appetite for planning made him a natural cboice to run the civil defence college which was being reconstituted in North Yorkshire.

As chief of RAF Training Command for the previous three years he had worn a second hat as Air Commander Home Defence Forces — a crucial post in the event of nuclear war. He was said, moreover, to have one of the sharpest minds in the armed forces — a reputation acquired as Assistant Chief of the Air Staff (Policy) during Denis Healey's defence review in the late 1960s. He had been tipped to join the board of Rolls-Royce cars on retiring from the RAF in 1973 — but instead accepted the Home Office's proposal.

Mavor's brief was to mastermind training for those who would have to run the country's services if "the bomb" fell. Local authority officials, chief fire officers, assistant chief constables and the like were drafted on courses run by Mavor and his team. Mavor argued, in the face of scepticism, that if Britain was ready and waiting for the worst it could comfortably cope with anything less terrible.

He was personally convinced by the need for civil defence planning and rebuked councils which did not share his enthusiasm. He robustly took on critics like those of the Campaigo for Nuclear Disarmament, insisting that millions would survive a nuclear strike and would turn to the emergency services for help.

He switched in 1980 to become Britain's coordinator of the voluntary civil defence effort for four years before retiring — when both jobs were merged. The Home Defence College at Easingwold has also since changed its name to the Emergency Planning College, to reflect its departure from the narrow war scenario to cover emergency planning of all kinds.

Duke Mavor was a Scot, the son of a civil servant in Malaya, and spent his boyhood in lodgings in Aberdeen attending Aberdeen Grammar School and his holidays with his parents in Kuala Lumpur. Commissioned into the RAF in 1937, he was soon posted to the Indian northwest frontier at Rifalpur, now the site of the Pakistan air force academy, flying Wapiti biplanes with 31 Squadron. He subsequently served with Bomber Command in the Middle East and Burma during the war, winning the Air Force Cross for his service in Iraq. He caught tuberculosis towards the end, however, and was sent to the King Edward VII sanatorium at Midhurst, Sussex, where he met his future wife, a fellow patient.

Mavor had won the respect of his colleagues for his self-discipline. He was widely known for his capacity to attend all-night parties, yet be at his desk, hard at work, by 9 am. But he now began to demonstrate other qualities. In the 1950s he read for the Bar in his spare time and came close to qualifying before being posted to the RAF staff college where he had too little time to continue his legal studies. During 1961-64 he impressed his superiors as Director of Air Staff Briefing, which largely meant keeping them informed on Whitehall politics. He commanded 38 Group for two years, became Assistant Chief of the Air Staff while the retreat from "East of Suez" was being planned, then finally C-in-C Training Command, 1969-72.

He was made a deputy lieutenant of North Yorkshire and added falconry and painting to his hobbies. He recently sold a pastel of a trout stream while his first falconry licence arrived this week. But in later years he relaxed his golden rule of learning a new word daily — a practice which often sent subordinates scurrying for their dictionaries.

He leaves a widow, June, and four sons.

LLOYD GARRISON

Lloyd K. Garrison, lawyer, professor and public servant, died at his home in Manhattan on October 2 aged 93. He was born in New York on November 19, 1897.

LLOYD Garrison had the reputatioo of a shy, self-effacing man, but that did not prevent him entering the limelight in the early 1950s when Senator Joseph McCarthy's anti-communist witch-hunt was in full flood. He defended the playwright Arthur Miller and the poet Langston Hughes when they appeared before the House un-American Activities Committee, and went oo to defend J. Robert Oppenheimer when the Atomic Energy Authority tried to remove the scieotist's security clearance.

Garrison liked to be useful. "I've never planned my life," he once said. "I've taken things as they've come along. For me, life has been a series of accidents."

On that basis, he was accident-prone to a fault. From the late 1920s when his efforts to curb the ethically-dubious practice of "ambulance-chasing" by litigation-hungry lawyers brought him to the notice of President Hoover, he was constantly called upoo by US administrations to sort out seemingly insoluble problems.

For Hoover he rooted out corruption in the bankruptcy laws; for President Roosevelt, he organised the National Labor Relations Board and later the National War Labor Board, mediating in a myriad of disputes before and during the secood world war. For President Truman he helped restore industrial peace in the turbulent post-war era.

By profession Garrison was a Wall Street lawyer but his outlook was the antithesis of that breed. Throughout his life he was a champion of working people and the poor, joining the National Urban League in 1924 and serving as its national president from 1947 to 1952. It was, he said, an experience which opened his eyes to the realities of racial discrimination in America. He was also a prominent member of the American Civil Liberties Union.

In 1968, after the assassinatioo of Dr Martin Luther King, Garrisoo wrote a letter to *The New York Times* in which he said that Dr King "in the last years of his life realised that civil rights legislation and court decisions were oot enough to wipe out discrimination and inequality; that the ravages of poverty had to be dealt with on a massive scale; that the cleansing and transformation of our inner cities was the first order of business, and the establishment of peace was indissolubly linked with these objectives."

He practised what he preached. His settlements of wartime industrial disputes were made oo the basis of equal pay for equal work, regardless of race, colour, creed or sex, and paid special attention to the economic necessity of correcting low standards of living. It was probably no surprise to Lloyd Garrison that his services as a mediator were in much less demand under Republican administrations.

Born into a prominent New York family, the great-grandson of William Lloyd Garrison, the Bostoo abolitionist leader, Garrison graduated from Harvard Law School after volunteering for service in the US Navy in the first world war. He was immediately hired by a leading Wall Street law firm but left it in 1932 to become professor of law and dean of the University of Wisconsin Law School — where his work seemed unhampered by his multifarious outside activities. In 1945 he returned to Wall Street, but two years later became full professor at the New York University School of Law.

Lloyd Garrisoo was married in 1921 to Ellen Jay, a descendant of the first US chief justice. She survives him, as do their three children.

FRANCIS SANDBACH

Professor Francis Sandbach, Greek scholar, died on September 18 aged 88. He was born on February 23, 1903.

FEW scholars in recent times have been thanked in prefaces to works of classical scholarship more often than Harry Sandbach. Kirk and Raven dedicated their *Presocratic Philosophers* to him. Generous to the ideas of others, he was perhaps over-critical of his own, and for many years his published contribution to learning was confined to articles and book reviews. It was therefore something of a surprise when the name of Sandbach appeared in the first list of personal professorial chairs that the University of Cambridge ever published (1967).

But those who had placed their faith in Sandbach were soon to see that faith justified. In the following year he was elected to the British Academy. Up to this time the only work of his to appear in hard covers had been his contributions to some of the Loeb volumes of Plutarch's *Moralia* and a closely related slender volume in the Teubner series. But in 1972 and 1973 two major and complementary works of scholarship came out: his Oxford Text of Menander — *Menandri Reliquiae Selectae* was its undeservedly modest title — and the splendid *Menander, a commentary* built oo notes left by Gomme. "It is right that Gomme should have the main credit for what is good; for all that is wrong I accept responsibility," Sandbach characteristically wrote in the preface; happily no informed reader has taken him at his word. A foreign reviewer, while commeoting on Sandbach's abnormal modesty, described the edition as "of priceless worth", and the commentary as remarkable for having oothing superfluous while remaining alive to tiny nuances in the Greek. Later two slighter books appeared, one on the Stoics (1975) and another oo the *Comic Theatre of Greece and Rome* (1977), both of them enthusiastically received.

Francis Henry Sandbach was a son of Francis Edward Sandbach, who was for twenty years professor of German at Birmingham. Educated at King Edward School, Birmingham, and Trinity College, Cambridge, he embarked in 1924 on research which he continued during his tenure of an assistant lectureship in the University of Manchester.

He returned to Cambridge in 1928 and soon afterwards he was appointed as college lecturer in classics and to a university lectureship. This he held, concurrently with the Brereton readership in classics, from 1951 until he retired in 1970.

Apart from the three years that he spent as a young man in Manchester and for a period of national service during the second world war, Sandbach devoted his life to Cambridge and in particular to his college where he was a tutor from 1945 to 1955. Often slow in speech and sometimes, it seemed, slow in thought, his judgment was so uniformly sound that his help was as eagerly sought as it was freely given. But he never allowed administrative preoccupations to take precedence over scholastic endeavour. He was a fine scholar whose opinion, in the wide field over which his interests ranged, was highly valued by the many scholars inside and outside the university who sought his advice.

ROY FULLER

Lewis Golden, chairman of The London Library, writes:

YOUR obitnary of Roy Fuller (September 28) was admirably extensive, but it made no mentioo of his association with The London Library. Roy joined the library in 1946 and remained a member until his death, but it was not until 1984 that he became a member of the committee.

In that capacity be was unique, for oone of his colleagues could match his combination of literary achievement, legal experience and commercial distinction. Roy's contributions to discussions of the many issues which faced the committee were therefore always particularly valued, but perhaps his greatest service to the library was to join its investment subcommittee in 1986. There he helped shape the outstandingly successful investment policy which has been of such importance in keeping annual fees comparatively low, so permitting those of modest means to enjoy the library's facilities.

Possibly Roy's championing of library staff causes was just as telling, for he was a sympathetic listener to the suggestions made at staff meetings which he attended as a representative of the committee. The staff held him in high and affectionate esteem, and they join with all the committee in mourning the passing of a good friend.

Memorial services

Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Drew
A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Drew was held yesterday io the Chapel of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea. The Rev Tom Hiney officiated. Dr Christopher Drew, son, read the lesson and Lieutenant-General P.J. Beale, Director-General of Army Medical Services, gave an address. Among those present were:

Dr H C Drew (daughter-in-law), Miss A K Drew, Miss C D Drew and Mr J R Drew (grandchildren), Mr and Mrs Donald, Mr A McDonald and Miss K McDonald (step-grandchildren), Mrs V J Drew, Mrs B M Bale, Ms D Bale, Mr and Mrs C Balding, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs A D Marsden, Miss Marsden, Miss P M Marsden, Miss V Marsden, Mr and Mrs C Ironside, Miss K Ironside, Miss S Ironside, Mr C Ironside, Mr A R Cotten, Mr E Dodd.

Viscount Craigavon, Viscountess Craigavon, the Hon Mrs Hanbury, Lady Cave, Sir Brian Walker, General Sir Charles and Lady Richardson, General Sir Victor and Lady Fitzgerald-Balfour, General Sir Charles Harington, Lieutenant-General Sir James and Lady Baird, Lieutenant-General Sir Richard and Lady Bradshaw, Lieutenant-General Sir Alan and Lady Reay, Lieutenant-General Sir James Wilson, Dame Anne Bryans (representing the British Red Cross Society), Lady Templer, Lady Roches, Lady Kendrew, Sir George and Lady Stephen, Sir John Ellis, Lady Knott, Sir David Innes Williams (president, Royal Society of Medicine, also representing the British Postgraduate Medical Federation and the Royal Society of Physicians of London), Sir Arthur and Lady Drew, Lady Mitchell, Sir George Grant, Sir Richard Bayliss, Mrs M J Beale.

Major-General I P Crawford (Commandant and post graduate dean, Royal Army Medical College) and Mrs Crawford, Major-General J T Croll (director, Army Surgery) and Mrs Croll, Major-General I C Crawford (director, Army Medicine), Major-General and Mrs A A Shaw, Major-General and Mrs R J G Morrison, Major-General M H P Sayers, Major-General D S Pelon, Major-General and Mrs T W Carrick, Major-General and Mrs J Gray, Major-General and Mrs H S Moore.

Brigadier D E Worsley (representative Colonel Commandant RAMC), Brigadier P Abrahams (director, Army Psychiatry) and Mrs Abrahams, Brigadier P J Blackburn (Commander RAMC Training Group), Brigadier I R Harwood (Commanding Officer, Queen Elizabeth Military Hospital, Woolwich), Colonel J Gittes, QARANC (representing the Director of Army Nursing Services), Lieutenant-Colonel K L Batten (Order of St John of Jerusalem) and Mrs Batten; Major J K C Scott (representing The Royal Hunsdon), Dr G C Cook (representing the president, Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene), Dr C L Scholtz (Australian and New Zealand Medical and Dental Association) and Mrs Scholtz and Commander M B S Higham (grand secretary, United Grand Lodge of England).

Sir Austin Bradford Hill
A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir Austin Bradford Hill was held yesterday at St Clement Danes. The Rev A.T.R. Goode officiated and the Rev Miles Thomson led the prayers. Professor Peter Armitage and Professor Richard Schilling read the lessons and Sir George Godber gave an address. Among others present were:

Mr and Mrs Peter Hill (son and daughter-in-law), Mrs Rosemary Bull (daughter), Mr and Mrs Robert Hill, Miss Coral Hill, Miss Sylvia Bull and Mr and Mrs Philip King (grandchildren), Rowland Hill and Sophia Hill (great grandchildren), Mrs Natalie Thomson (sister), Dr Elizabeth Hill, Mrs Lucy Wilson, Mrs Miles Thomson, Mr Mark Thomson, Mr Michael Thomson.

Professor Sir Eric Scowen, Sir Gordon Wolstenholme, Professor Richard Doll (representing the Royal Society and the Royal College of Physicians) and Lady Doll, Professor and the Hon Mrs Charles Fletcher, Mrs Peter Armitage, Mrs Richard Schilling, Professor P J Lawther, Mr and Mrs C Balding, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs A D Marsden, Miss Marsden, Miss P M Marsden, Miss V Marsden, Mr and Mrs C Ironside, Miss K Ironside, Miss S Ironside, Mr C Ironside, Mr A R Cotten, Mr E Dodd.

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Mr Gerald Pawle
The Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall and Viscountess Falmouth and the High Sheriff of Cornwall attended a memorial service for Mr Gerald Pawle held yesterday at Ludgvan Parish Church, Penzance, Cornwall. The Rev Arthur Parsons officiated and read the lesson and the Bishop of St Germans preached the homily and pronounced the blessing. Mr John Hamilton gave an address.

Canon Cyril Taylor
A memorial service for Canon Cyril Taylor was held yesterday in Salisbury Cathedral. The Dean of Salisbury and Canon Jeremy Davies, Precentor, officiated. Dr Lionel Dakers and Mr Richard Shephard read the lessons and the Very Rev Professor Henry Chadwick gave an address. The Bishop of Salisbury pronounced the blessing.

The Very Rev Fenton Morley, the Ven Basil Wingfield Digby, Canon Ian Dunlop, Chancellor, aod the Rev Christine Farrington, were robed and in the Spire Crossing.

Mrs Joan Kleinwort
A memorial service for the late Mrs Joan Nightingale Kleinwort was beld on Monday, September 30, at Holy Trinity Church, Cuckfield, West Sussex. The Rev Eric Hayden officiated.

Sir Kenneth Kleinwort, Bt (son), read the lessoo and Mr Edward Fox read from the works of Shakespeare. Sir Arthur Norman, KBE, gave an address. Miss Elizabeth Brice (soloist soprano) sang Schubert's "Ave Maria" and Miss Pippa Harris played Edith Piaf's "La Vie en Rose". Those attending included:

Lady Kleinwort (daughter-in-law), Mr and Mrs Richard Kleinwort (grandson and wife), Miss Marina Kleinwort (granddaughter), Masters Michael and Alexander Kleinwort (grandsons), Miss Selina Kleinwort (granddaughter), Mr and Mrs Michael Warren (daughter and son-in-law), Mr Charles Warren (grandson), Miss Sumie Warren (granddaughter), the Rev P. and Mrs Irwin-Clark (granddaughter and husband), Mrs P. MacDonald Gemmy Kleinwort, Major and Mrs R. Chenevix-Trench (niece and husband), Mrs A. Denger (cousin), Mr Henry Evill (cousin), Mr and Mrs John Andrase, (godson and wife), Miss B. Ludovici (god-daughter), the Rev K. and Mrs Habershon, the Earl of Cottenham.

The Duke of Richmond and Gordon, the Marquess and Marchioness of Abergavenny, the Earl of Limerick, KBE, DL, Mr David Scott, Assistant Chief Constable of Sussex, representing the Chief Constable and Sussex Force, Charles De Haes, Hon Director General, representing World Wide Fund for Nature, Lady Scott representing Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, Mr David Peake, Chairman of Kleinwort Benson, Lord Monk Bretton representing Lady Monk Bretton and South of England Agricultural Society, and many representatives of international, national, regional and local charitable organisations and businesses together with many friends and estate employees past and present.

Mr Colin Atkinson
A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Colin Atkinson was held yesterday in Wells Cathedral. The Dean of Wells, the Rev Tom Wilkinson, Senior Chaplain of Millfield School, and the Rev Bill Marshall, school chaplain, officiated.

Lady Merrison, board member, HTV West, and Mr Michael Hill read the lessons. Mr Alun Ford, read from the works of Canon Henry Scott Holland, Mr Christopher Martin, headmaster, and Mr Dennis Silk gave addresses. The Right Rev Alec Hamilton, a school governor also representing the diocese of Bath and Wells, pronounced the blessing.

Nancy Freifrau voo Hoyningen-Huene regrets she was unable to attend the service of thanksgiving for the lives of Major and Mrs Michael Smiley beld oo October 2, 1991, in Aberdeenshire.

Weekend birthdays

TODAY: Sir Raymond Appleyard, biologist, 69; Mr Robin Bailey, actor, 72; Professor Sir Malcolm Brown, geologist, 66; Mr Ray Clemence, footballer, 43; Mr Sebastian de Ferranti, former chairman, Ferranti, 64; Sir John Dent, former chairman, Civil Aviation Authority, 68; Mr Bob Geldof, rock sioger aod initiator, Band Aid, 40; the Right Rev Robert Hardy, Bishop of Lincoln, 55.

Mr Václav Havel, President of Czechoslovakia, 55; Lord Holderness, 71; Miss Elly Jansen, founder, Richmond Fellowship, 62; Miss Glynis Johns, actress, 68; Mr Robert Kee, broadcaster, 72; Mr Herbert Kretzmer, journalist and lyricist, 66; Mrs Kate Losinska, trades unionist, 67; Mr David Mellor, silversmith and designer, 61; Mr Bruce Millan, MP, 64; Sir Edward Peck, diplomat, 76; Mr Donald Pleasence, actor, 72; Sir Douglas Ranger, otolaryngologist, 75; Sir John Rodgers, former MP, 85; Mr Richard Rosser, trades unionist, 47; Sir Richard Thompson, former MP, 79; Mr Dave Watson, footballer, 45; Sir Richard Williams-Bulkeley, former Lord Lieutenant of Gwynedd, 80.

TOMORROW: Mr Jarvis Astaire, deputy chairman of Wembley Stadium, 68; Mr Richie Benaud, sports commentator, 61; Sir Alfred Blake, former director, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, 76; Mr Melvyn Bragg, broadcaster, 52; Baroness Castle of Blackburn, 81; Lord Cullen of Ashbourne, 79; Lord Donaldsoo of Lymington, 71; Mr Tony Greig, cricketer, 45.

Dr Thor Heyerdahl, author and anthropologist, 77; Mr Tommy Lawton, footballer, 72; Mr David Maland, former high master, Manchester Grammar School, 62; Admiral Sir Derek Reffell, 63; His Honour Sir William Stabb, QC, 78; Field Marshal Sir John Stanier, 66; Miss Jennifer Tanburn, research consultant, 62; Miss Helen Wills Moody, tennis champion, 86.

Dinners

Engineers' Company
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and the Sheriffs and their ladies, was a speaker at the annual dinner of the Engineers' Company held last night at Plaisterers' Hall. Mr Trevor Crocker, Master, presided, assisted by Mr John Bartlett, Senior Warden, Mr Gerald Clerehugh, Middle Warden, and Rear-Admiral John Grove, Junior Warden. Major-General A.C. Birtwistle and the Middle Warden also spoke. Among others present were:

Vice-Admiral Sir Robert Hill, Lieutenant-General Sir John Mogford, Air Marshal Sir Frank Holroyd, the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers, the Master and Mistress Cutler in Hallamshire, and the Masters of the Woodmen's, Pavioors', Scientific Instrument Makers' and Fuellers' Companies.

Chester Business Club
The South African Ambassador was the principal guest and speaker at a dinner of the Chester Business Cloh held yesterday at the Chester Ioternational Hotel. Mr Ron Smith, vice-chairman, presided. Mr Tom Hunt, president, and Mr Bob Clough-Parker, secretary, also spoke. The Sheriff of Chester was present.

Naval Club
The Naval Club and RNVR Officers' Association held a dinner last night at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich. Admiral Sir William Pillar, president of the club, presided. The Right Rev Dr and Mrs R.D. Say were the principal guests.

The Royal Hampshire Regiment
Brigadier Robert Long, Colonel of The Royal Hampshire Regiment, presided at the annual Officers' Club's annual dinner held last night at Guildhall, Winchester.

Royal Army Educational Corps
Lieutenant-General Sir Edward Jones, Representative Colonel Commandant, Royal Army Educational Corps, presided at the annual officers' dinner held last night at Eltham Palace. Major-General D.E. Ryan, Colonel Commandant, and Major-General C.A. Kinvig, Director of Army Education, were among those present.

Honourable Artillery Company
Sir Peter Studd was the guest and speaker at a dinner of the Honourable Artillery Company Mess Club held last night at Armoury House. Captain R.P. Tomkins, president, was in the chair. Captain J.R. Shotter also spoke.

North Irish Horse
Colonel James Leslie presided at the annual dinner of the North Irish Horse Officers' Dinner Club held last night at Dunmore Park Camp, Belfast. Brigadier A.P.M. Naughton, Lieutenant-Colonel C.J.R. Day and Lieutenant-Colonel M.J. Anderson were among the guests.

RAF Strike Command
Air Marshal Sir John Kemball, Chief of Staff, RAF Headquarters Strike Command, was a speaker at a dining-in night held last night at RAF High Wycombe. Group Captain C.A. Bohoo presided.

Reception

Sir Ian Stewart, MP, and Lady Stewart
A reception was held in the House of Commons yesterday following a ceremony io the Chapel of St Mary Undercroft, Palace of Westminster to mark the Silver Wedding of the Right Hon Sir Ian Stewart, MP and Lady Stewart. The Right Rev John Taylor, Bishop of St Albans, officiated.

Today's royal engagements

Prince Edward, as Chairman of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, will visit Uttoxeter Racecourse at 12.30 to watch the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Trophy race.

The Princess Royal, as President of the Save the Children Fund, will visit the East and Midlothian branch Country Market in the Corn Exchange, Haddington, at 10.30; the fund's shop in Haddington at 11.40; and, as Patron of the Nadonal Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux, will visit the bureau at Whittinghame Drive, at 12.05. Later, as Patron of the Scottish Rugby Union, she will attend the Scotland v Japan World Cup match at Murrayfield at 1.15.

Church services tomorrow

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.30 M, Very Rev R M S Eyre; 11 S Euch, Missa Aeterna Christi munera (Palestrina), Exsultabo te (Lassus), Rev P G C Brett; 3.15 E, Responses (Byrd), Stanford in A, Expectans expectavi (Wood); 6.30 Sermon & Compline, The Archdeacon.
YORK MINSTER: 8 & 8.45 HC; 10 S Euch, Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Bairstow), Mass for Four Voices (Byrd), Very Rev J Southgate; 11.30 North Eastern Circuit Annual Service, Jubilate in B minor, How lovely is thy dwelling place (Brahms), Rt Rev D Young; 2.30 Service for the RSPCA; 4 E, Stanford in A, Lauda Jerusalem Dominum (Porta), Mr D Dawson.
ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.30 M, The Short Service (Gibbons), Rev C Hill; 11.30 HC, Schubert in G, Heilig ist der Herr (Schubert); 3.15 E, The Second Service (Leighton), Os justi (Bruckner), Rt Rev Mgr V Nichols.
WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 8 HC; 10 M, Responses (Reading), Boyce in C, Set me as a seal (Walton), Rev D Englan; 11.15 Abbey Euch, Mass in G minor (Vaughan Williams), Love bade me welcome (Vaughan Williams), Rev R Holloway; 3 E, Wood in F, O clap your hands (Vaughan Williams), Canon A Harvey; 5.45 Organ Recital; 6.30 ES, Canon C Semper.
SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 HC; 11 Euch, Schubert in G, Locus iste (Bruckner), Ave verum corpus (Elgar), Rev N Wern; 3 E, Stanford in A, O pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Howells), The Provost.
WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30 & 7 Mass; 10.30 SM, Asperges me (plainsong), The Western Wynde Mass (Taverner), Tibi laus (Philips), Final - Symphonie 1 (Vierne); 2.30 Organ Recital; 3.30 Solemn V & B, Magnificat quarti toni (Bevan), O hearken thou (Elgar), Chant de Paix (Langlais).
ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: 6 LM (Sat); 8, 10 (Children's Service) & 0 LM; 11.30 HM, Mass (Peroal), Laudate Dominum (Mozart), Fr A Barratt; 3.30 Adult Confirmation.
GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DIVINE WISDOM, Moscow Rd, W2: 9.30 M; 11 Divine Liturgy.
RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD, Ennismore Gdns, SW7: 10.30 Divine Liturgy.
SERBIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF ST SAVVA, Lancaster Rd, W11: 10.30 Divine Liturgy.

THE CHAPEL ROYAL, St James's Palace: 8.30 HC; 11.10 S Euch, Collegium Regale (Howells), Rev W J Booth.
QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY, WC2: 11 S Euch, Darke in F, The Chaplain.
ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich, SE10: 11 S Euch, Rejoice in the Lord alway (Anon, 16th cent), I sat down under thy shadow (Bairstow), The Chaplain.
GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks, SW1: 11 Choral HC, Cantate Domino (Pitoni), Ireland in C, Thou visitest the earth (Greene), The Chaplain.
GRAY'S INN CHAPEL: 8.30 HC, Canon E James.
LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL: Services resume on 13 October.
TOWER OF LONDON, EC3: 11 M & Sermon, Responses (Tallis), Te Deum (Chant), Short Service (Byrd), A Litany (Walton).
TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street, EC4: 8.30 HC; 11.15 MP, The Master.
ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) WC2: 9 HC, Ven B H Lucas; 11 Choral Euch.
CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: 8.30 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Ireland in C, Christus factus est (Bruckner); 3.30 E, For I went with the multitude (Aston), Murrill in E, It came even to pass (Ouseley).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: 11 S Euch, Rev I C Thurston.
ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, W1: 8 & 5.10 LM; 11 HM, Missa Aeterna Christi Munera (Palestrina), For he shall give his angels charge over thee (Mendelssohn), Rev J A Younger; 6 E & B, Stanford in A, When David heard (Tomkins), The Vicar.
ALL SOULS, Langham Place, W1: 11 Rev R Wooley; 6.30 Preb R Bewes.
CHELSEA OLD CHURCH, Cheyne Walk, SW3: 10 Children's Service; 11 Parish C, Mr R Honner; 6 E, Mr D Royce.
CHRIST CHURCH, CHELSEA, SW3: 8 HC; 11 S Euch, Rev N Vigers.
HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road, SW7: 10.30 Family & HC, Mr J Jennings; 6.30 Informal ES, Rev T Gillum.
HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Road, SW7: 8.30 HC; 11 Choral HC, Rev Dr M Israel.
HOLY TRINITY, Sloane Street, SW1: 8.45 HC; 11 S Euch, Mass in the Dorian Mode (Howells), Rev K L Yates.
ST ALBAN'S, Brooke St, EC1: 9.30 SM; 11 HM, Missa brevis (Britten), Rev J Knight; 5.30 LM.
ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, Smithfield, EC1: 9 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Missa Aeterna Christi Munera (Palestrina), A Ego sum panis vivus (Esquivel), Rev A Winter; 6.30 Institution & Induction of Rev O M Lawson as Rector, A, Like as the hart (Howells), Bishop of London.
ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 Choral M & Euch, Stanford in B flat, Missa Brevis (Walton), Ave verum corpus (Faure), Canon J Oates; 6.30 Choral E, Responses (Radcliffe), Noble in B minor, Blessed City, heavenly Salem (Bairstow), Rev W Boulton.
ST CUTHBERT'S, Philbeach Gardens SW5: 10 HC; 11 S Euch, Darke in F, Almighty and most merciful God (Goss), Fr Bill.
ST GEORGE'S, Bloomsbury, WC1: 10 Euch & 6.30 EP, Fr M Day.
ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square, W1: 8.30 HC; 11 S Euch, Darke in E, A, Here, O my Lord (Whitlock), The Rector.
ST GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, St Giles High St, WC2: 8, 12 & 7.15 HC; 11 MP, Rev G C Taylor; 6.30 EP, Rev P Faunch.
ST JAMES'S, Garlickhythe, EC4: Now at St Michael Paternoster Royal, 10.30 S Euch, Rev J Paul.
ST JAMES'S, Muswell Hill, N10: 8 HC; 10.30 Harvest Festival, Preb M Bunker; 6.30 EP, Rev G Williams.
ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly, W1: 8.30 HC; 11 S Euch; 5.45 EP.
ST JAMES'S, Sussex Gardens, W2: 8 HC; 10.30 SEuch, Coronation Mass (Mozart), Laudate Dominum (Mozart), Rev B Galloway; 6 Choral E, Fauxbourdons (Holmes), The Lord is my shepherd (Howells).
ST JOHN'S, Hyde Park Crescent, W2: 10 Parish C, Rev Canon T Birchard; 6.30 ES, Rev D Ross.
ST JOHN'S WOOD CHURCH, NW8: 8 HC; 9.30 Parish C; 11 S Euch, Mass for four voices (Byrd), Ave Verum (Byrd), Rev D Frith.
ST LUKE'S, Chelsea, SW3: 8 & 12.15 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Darke in F, The heavens are telling (Haydn), Rev S Watson; 6.30 Choral E, In the heavenly Kingdom (Harris), Rev D Watson.
ST MARK'S, Regents Park Rd, NW1: 8 HC; 10.30 Parish Euch, Mass in G minor (Vaughan Williams), O how amiable are Thy dwellings (Vaughan Williams), Rev R McLaren.
ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2: 8, 12.30 & 7.30 HC; 9.45 Euch, St Martin's Service (Stringer), For the beauty of the earth (Rutter), Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Bairstow), Rev A Brookshank; 11.30 Visitors' Service, Rev J Pridmore; 2.45 Chinese Service, Rev C Lee; 3 Pearlies Harvest Festival; 0 Choral E, Responses (Smith), Ireland in F, O clap your hands (Vaughan Williams); 6.30 ES, Rev W Brooker.
ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington, W8: 8 & 12.30 HC; 9.30 S Euch, Rev F Gell; 11.15 M, Rev I L Robson; 6.30 E, Rev I L Robson.
ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, SW1: 9, 9.45 & 7 LM; 11 HM, Missa Brevis (Anerio), Cantate Domino (Hassler), Ave verum corpus (Millan), Fr B Horne; 6 Solemn E & B.
ST MARY'S, Primrose Hill, NW3: 8 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Rev S Webster; 6 Choral E.
ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, W1: 0 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Missa Brevis (Brahms), The heavens are telling (Haydn), Very Rev D Barter; 6.30 Ministry of Healing, Rt Rev P Hill.
ST MARY-LE-STRAND (WRNS Church), Strand WC2: 11 Sung Communion; Harvest Thanksgiving, Rev O Clarke.
ST MATTHEW'S, Great Peter St, SW1: 8 & 6.30 LM; 10 SM, Music (Martin Shaw), Rev M Hayes.
ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square, SW1: 8.15 HC; 11 MP, Rev D C L Prior; 7 ES & HC, Grey Coat Hospital School, SW1: 7 Informal ES, St James the Less Church, Vauxhall Bridge Road.
ST MICHAEL'S, Cornhill, EC3: 11 Choral Euch, Thou knowest, Lord (Purcell), Four Voices (Byrd), O, saviour of the world (Ouseley), Rev J Scott.
ST PAUL'S, Onslow Square, SW7: 10.30 Family HC; 6.30 Informal Service.
ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, SW1: 8 & 9 HC; 11 Solemn Euch, Mass in A flat (Harwood), Expectans expectavi (Wood), Vox ultima crucis (Harris), Very Rev D Edwards.
ST PETER'S, Eaton Square, SW1: 8.15 HC; 10 Family Mass; 11 SM, Mass in O (Dvorak), They that go down (Sumsion), Fr A Buck.
ST SIMON ZELOTES, Milner Street, SW3: 8 HC; 11 MP, Benedictus (Elgar), A Psalm of Thanksgiving (Darke), Canon L Evans; 6.30 E, Alleluia (Purcell), Sumsion in G, Thou, O God, art praised in Zion (Greene), Rev G James.
ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road, SW7: 8 & 9 LM; 11 SM, Missa Sancta et Immaculata (Guerrero), O Lord, arise into Thy rest (Byrd), Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy House (Ross), Ven R Coogan.
ST VEDAST, Foster Lane, EC2: 11 Sung Mass, Rev R Avent.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Pont Street, SW1: 11 Harvest Thanksgiving, The Earth is the Lord's (Eric Thiman), Rev J H McIndoe.
CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Covent Garden, WC2: 11 & 6.30 HC, Rev H G Ross.
THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, W1: 11 Missa brevis (Palestrina), Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd), Ave verum (Carissimi).
CHURCH OF OUR LADY, Lisson Grove, St John's Wood: 10.45 Missa Primi Toni (Palestrina), Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd).
CHURCH OF OUR MOST HOLY REDEEMER, Cheyne Row, SW3: 10, 11, 12.10 & 6.30, Fr P Nolan.
FARM STREET, W1: 7.30, 0.30, 10, 12.15, 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 HM, Missa in honorem Sancti Joseph (Peeters), D Maria Mater (Crivelli), Ave Maris stella (Elgar).
THE ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Missa Super dorium (Handl), O Maria mater gratiae (Crivelli), 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B, Ave Maria (Liszt).
ST ETHELDREDA'S, Ely Place: 11 Sung Mass, Mass in D (Collier), Veni sponsa Christi (Berkeley).
ST MARY'S, Cadogan Street, SW3: 8.30, 10, 11 MM, Missa Simplex (Lotti), Laudate Dominum (Pizzoni), Ave Verum (Carissimi), 12.15 & 6.30.
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kensington High Street, W8: 6.30 LM (Sat); 8.30, 10, 12.30, 6.30 LM; 11.15 SM (Latin).
AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tottenham Court Rd, W1: 9.45 Sunday School; 11 Worship, Rev R Allison.
CITY TEMPLE, Holborn, EC1: 10.30 Rev J Darnall.
CHELSEA METHODIST CHURCH, King's Road, SW3: 11 & 6 HC, Rev M Braddy.
HINDE STREET METHODIST CHURCH, W1: 11 Rev D Cruise; 6.30 Rev M Rothwell.
KENSINGTON TEMPLE, (Charismatic), Notting Hill Gate, W11: 9 Communion, Terry Crist (USA); 11 Celebration, Terry Crist; 2.30 Healing Service, Christian Harfouche (USA) 6.30, Christian Harfouche; 9 Late on Sunday.
KENSINGTON URC, Allen Street, W8: 11 Rev P Lovell; 6.30 Joint service at Heston URC.
REGENT SQUARE URC (Presbyterian-Congregational), Tavistock Place, WC1: 11 Dr R K Scopes; 5 United service with King's Cross Methodists.
ST ANDREW'S URC, Frognal Lane NW3: 11 Rev Dr P Morgan.
ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran), Gresham St, EC2: 11 Choral HC, Rev W D Swanson; 7 Choral Mass, Mass No.4 in G, Missa Sancti Nicolai (Bach), Trio Sonata in G, Rev R T Englund.
ST JOHN'S WOOD URC, Lord's Roundabout, NW8: 11 MS, Rev W C McCrorie.
WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 11 MS & HC, Rev Dr D E Barritt & Rev Dr R C Gibbins.
WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist), SW1: 11, Christian Bandsmen's Service, Rev Dr R J Tudor; 6.30, Rev Dr R J Tudor.
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate, SW1: 11 & 6.30 Rev Dr R T Kendall.
WESTMINSTER MEETING SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (Quakers), 52 St Martins La WC2: 11, Meeting for worship.

Church news

Appointments

The Rev Robert F Law, Vicar, Crowan and Godolphin, and Rural Dean of Kerrier: to be Rector, St Columb Major with St Wenn (Truro).
The Rev John Lowe, General Secretary, SOMA (Sharing of Ministries Abroad): to be Vicar, Heckmondwike (Wakefield).
The Rev Michael M Moorkert, Curate, Heanor: to be Vicar, Codnor (Derby).
The Rev Patrick Raine: to be Priest-in-charge, Breamore (Winchester).
The Rev Nigel L Ransom, Curate, Widford: to be Vicar, Eastwood (Chelmsford).
The Rev Dr Ronald Saunders, formerly Team Vicar, Wrexham (St Asaph): to be Chaplain in Morden College, Blackheath (Southwark).
The Rev James S Scantlebury, Honorary Curate (NSM), St Bartholomew, Ripponden, and Chaplain and Head of RE, Holy Trinity Senior School, Halifax (Wakefield): to be Vicar, All Hallows and Torpenhow (Carlisle).
The Rev Peter Tilley, Vicar, St Mark, Mitcham, and Rural Dean of Merton (Southwark): to be Team Rector, St Mary, Walton (Liverpool).
The Rev Sheila Watson, Hon Assistant Curate, St Luke and Christ Church, Chelsea, and a former officer for Mission and Ministry in the Kensington Episcopal Area (London): to be a Selection Secretary, Advisory Board of Ministry, Church House, Westminster.

Resignation

The Rev Bernard A Brownbridge, Priest-in-charge (NSM), Birdsall with Langton (York): to resign as from 19 April 1992.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 20

McKENZIE
(c) A person who attends a court of law to help and advise one of the parties. Named after the case of McKenzie v McKenzie (1970), in which the precedent was set for a non-professional helper to be allowed in court: "Mr David Nellist MP appeared in court as a McKenzie."

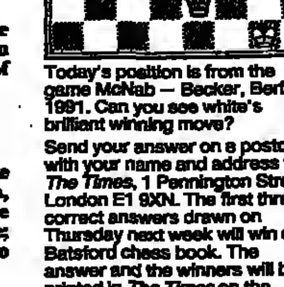
POMACE
(b) Crushed apples for cider-making, or the residue after pressing, from the late Latin *pomacium* cider: "Where the dunghills smell of pomace instead of stable refuse."

NARGHILE
(a) An oriental tobacco-pipe in which the smoke passes through water before reaching the mouth, from the Persian *nargil* coconut, of which the receptacle for the tobacco was originally made; Thackeray: "A Turkish officer making believe to puff at a narghile."

UNDERN
(a) The third hour, about nine in the morning, terce, common Teutonic: "The high mass was celebrated immediately after undern."

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

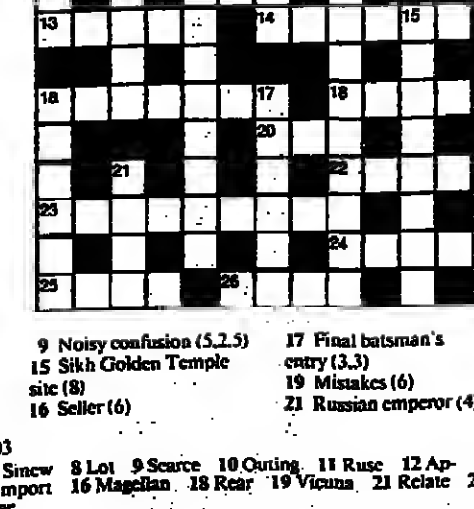


Today's position is from the game McNab — Becker, Berlin 1991. Can you see white's brilliant winning move?

Send your answer on a postcard with your name and address to: *The Times*, 1 Pennington Street, London E1 9XN. The first three correct answers drawn on Thursday next week will win a Batsford chess book. The answer and the winners will be printed in *The Times* on the following Saturday.

Solution (Sept 28): 1 Rxh6+. The winners are: D. Knight, Dorchester; G. Bird, Okehampton, Devon; H. McDonald, Birkenhead.

CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 2604



ACROSS
3 Present (4)
5 Greek love god (4)
8 Hepatic organ (5)
10 Say sorry (9)
11 O degrees (5)
12 Cleopatra snake (3)
13 Rage (5)
14 Cloth measure (7)
16 Old-timer (7)
18 Counterfeit (5)
20 Globe (3)
22 Change (5)
23 Dig up (9)
24 Ordain (5)
25 Unusual (4)
26 And others (2,2)

DOWN
1 Window shades (6)
2 Top garment (8)
3 Brighton Rock author (6,6)
4 Flexible disk (6)
6 Precipitation (4)
7 Arm cover (6)
9 Noisy confusion (5,2,5)
15 Sikh Golden Temple site (8)
16 Seller (6)
17 Final batsman's entry (3,3)
19 Mistakes (6)
21 Russian emperor (4)

SOLUTION TO NO 2603
ACROSS: 1 Couple 5 Sinew 8 Lot 9 Scarce 10 Outing 11 Ruse 12 Applause 14 Honest 15 Import 16 Magellan 18 Rear 19 Vicuna 21 Relate 22 Vie 23 Eerie 24 Denver
DOWN: 2 Once upon a time 3 Persevere 4 Elegant 5 Stoop 6 Nut 7 Windsor Castle 13 As per plan 15 Ignored 17 Leave 20 UDR

Listen! For I shall speak clearly, you will have plain speech from me: for I speak nothing but truth, and my lips detest wicked talk.
Proverbs 8:6,7 REB

BIRTHS

ATCHERLEY - On October 2nd, in Germany, to Julia and Martin, a daughter, Charlotte Anna.
BOWSHER - On September 29th 1991, to Haylee (née O'Brien) and Michael, a daughter, Gemma Mary and a son, James Terrence.
BROUGH - On October 4th 1991, to Linda and Gordon, a son, Fraser.
BULL - On October 3rd, at The Portland Hospital, to Sandy (née Hawkt) and Jeremy, a son, Charles William.
DIPRE - On October 4th 1991, to Clare and Paul, a daughter, Jasmine.
FITZ GERALD - On October 4th, to Sarah (née Burgess) and Michael, a son, James Nicholas.
FRANKE - On September 28th, at The Portland Hospital, to Bob and Jan, a daughter, Lauren Margaret.
FRASER - On October 3rd 1991, to Helen (née McClelland) and Scott, a son, Alexander Hamish.
GIBBS - On October 2nd, at Birmingham Maternity Hospital, to Myrtle (née Coolst) and Nicholas, a son, George Henry, a brother for Rebecca and Jessica.
HOLDSWORTH - On September 27th, to Julia (née Churchill) and Robert, a daughter, Sarah Kate Frances, a sister for Anna and John.
HUTCHINSON - On September 19th, in Seattle, U.S.A., to Brittany and Ian, a son, Ashton Stuart.
KLEINHEINZ - On September 29th, to Marsha and John, a son, John Burke Jnr., a brother for Marguerite.
LAVIS - On October 3rd 1991, at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, to Hilary (née Tomlinson) and Matthew, a beautiful daughter, Harriet Joy.
PEDERSEN - On October 1st, at The Portland Hospital, to Lisbeth and Soren, a daughter, Louise Cecilia.
RATHBONE - On October 1st, to Gillian (née Pool) and Barrie, a daughter, Georgina Maria, a sister to Michael and Peter.
STEWART - On September 18th, to Rosemary and Ian, a son, James Henry, a brother for Christopher and Michael.
TURCK - On October 1st, at St Mary's Hospital Manchester, to Patricia (née Fawcett) and Walter, a son, Edward Robert Rudge, a brother for Richard and Hannah.
TURVILL - On October 2nd, to Catriona (née Lutyens) and Jonathan, a son, Sam Walrond.
WEEKS - On September 28th, in Belgium, to Sarah (née Robinson) and Christopher, a daughter, Harriet Sarah, a sister for Sam.
WITHERINGTON - On September 25th, to Jenny (née Hill-Venning) and Russell, a son, James John Bowie.

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

LOCKLEY:WOOD - On October 5th 1966 at The White Church, Lytham: Peter to Olga. Now in Fulwood with Dickon and dogs.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

MIDDLETON:COLES - On October 6th 1941 at Christ Church, Chorleywood, Rex to Doro. Now at Shipston-on-Stour.

DEATHS

BOOTHMAN - On October 3rd 1991, peacefully after a long illness borne with Christian courage and hope, in her 77th year, Hannah Mary, dearly loved wife of Sam and devoted mother of Hannah and Sarah. To know her was to love her and many will thank God for her friendship. Cremation private. Funeral Service at All Saints Church, Braishfield, Hampshire, on Thursday October 10th at 2.30 pm. Small floral tributes or, if desired, donations to either All Saints Church or Countess Mountbatten House may be sent to A.H. Cheater, Funeral Directors, Romsey, Hampshire.
DAVIES - On September 25th, Gordon O. Davies, aged 88, in Llandrindod Wells.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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YOUR WILL can help so many elderly people who have spent their lives caring for others ... and are now in need of help themselves. A legacy or donation can help towards the cost of nursing home fees, convalescence, winter fuel bills etc. Please ask the NBI to send you details of ways in which you may be able to help us, or send whatever you can spare: The Secretary, The National Benevolent Institution (T), 61 Bayswater Road, London W2 3PG.

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DEATHS

CONWAY - On Friday September 27th 1991, Dr. George Francis Miecz-Cyrkowicz, dearly beloved husband of Teresa and father of Barbara and Michael John, after 6 long illness borne with courage and patience, in Mombasa, Kenya. Formerly of Nigeria, Uganda, Kenya, Zambia, Malawi and the Seychelles.
DAVIES - On October 3rd 1991, peacefully at home, after a prolonged and courageous fight against cancer, borne bravely, Valerie Joan. Beloved wife of Maurice and sister of Joy. Funeral Service Thursday October 10th, 2.30 pm, at Woking St John's Crematorium. No flowers please but donations, if desired, to the Sam Beare Ward Fund c/o G. Boutell & Son, 50 High Road, Byfleet, KT14 7QA.
DAWSON - On October 1st 1991, tragically, Judith (née Barrett), beloved wife of Graham and devoted mother of Emily-Rose and Douglas. Family funeral at Penmount Crematorium, Truro, on Tuesday October 8th. Enquiries to A.C. Richards, Perenporth (0872) 572027. Memorial Service at RMCS, Shrivenham, on Friday October 11th at 2.30 pm.
FRENCH - On October 3rd, Vere. Last surviving child of Dr. and Mrs F.A.V. Denning of Sligo, and wife of John French. Funeral at The Downs Crematorium, Brighton, at 3 pm on Friday October 11th. Simple flowers to The Garden Flat, Leicester Lodge, 9 Hove Place, Hove.
LANGLOIS - On September 26th 1991, Maria, peacefully in hospital, wife of Wing Commander R.B. Langlois. Service at St James Church, Brightlingsea, Essex, 11 am October 8th 1991.
LEE - On October 3rd 1991, quite peacefully at home after a long illness courageously borne, Beatrice Joan. Adored wife of Ronald and her children Robert, Charles, Victoria and Dordi and their respective spouses, Meryan, Michael and Ralph together with the grandchildren she dearly loved, Melissa, Catriona, Alice and Pollyanna. Service October 9th for family only, but donations to the Sam Beare Ward Fund gratefully received c/o G. Boutell & Son, 50 High Road, Byfleet, KT14 7QL.
LONGMORE - On October 4th 1991, peacefully at home, Major John Geoffrey Longmore, aged 76 years, of Lescudjack, Penzance. Beloved husband of Pat and dear father of Michael, Colin, Gail and Mark. Grandfather of Emma and Holly. Funeral Service at Gulval Parish Church, Penzance, on Tuesday October 8th at 11 am, followed by cremation. Family flowers only. Donations in his memory may be sent to Alfred Smith and Son, Funeral Directors, Penzance for Cancer Research Campaign (Penzance Branch).
MATTHEWS - On October 4th, Verile Susan, only daughter of the late Albert and Edith Matthews, and sister of the late Brigadier K. Mathews, D.S.O., R.A.
ROSS - On September 27th, Richard William, at St Raphael's Hospice, after a long illness very courageously fought. He will be greatly missed by his devoted family and his very many friends and colleagues. Donations please to St Raphael's Hospice, Cheam.
SENIOR - On October 1st, at The Grange Nursing Home, Tuffley, Gloucester, Hope, aged 86. Funeral Service at Painswick Parish Church on October 10th at 2.30 pm followed by cremation. Family flowers only but donations may be sent to Rheumatism and Arthritis Council for Research, Lansdown, Stroud.
WARD - On October 2nd, peacefully in hospital, Air Commodore Ellacott Lyne Stephens, C.B., O.F.C. (Wardie) aged 86. Father of Ian and Valerie and grandfather of eight grandchildren. Cremation Thursday October 10th at 2.30 pm at Poole Crematorium. No flowers please, but donations in lieu to the Director of Appeals (Donations) RAF Benevolent Fund, 67 Portland Place, London W1N 4AR.
WOGAN - On October 1st, suddenly at Royal Berkshire Hospital, Geoff Wogan, aged 54. Dearly loved husband of Jenny and dear father of Emma, Sophie and Harriet. Funeral Service at Easthampstead Crematorium, Bracknell, at 12 noon on Wednesday October 9th. Flowers to J.B. Hall, 142 Finchampstead Road, Wokingham, please.

IN MEMORIAM – PRIVATE

COOK, Doreen - Beloved wife - Paradise lost. I seek but cannot find. Derek.
DUCKWORTH - John Alexander d'Oller on October 5th 1988. Much loved and always remembered. Judith, Simon and Annie.
SHAW - M. 'So he from labour hard moved on'. 5.10.89.
STEAD - Gladys. Formerly The Middlesex Hospital Medical School. Died October 5th 1982. Always in my thoughts - George.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AIR MILES See Wanted Col.
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CALLUS - Therésè, happy 20th birthday, from Deepak and friends.
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CHELE, I miss you loads All my love. Andy xxxxxxxxxxxx
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DAVID Good luck at Kings College. Best Wishes Paul and Dad.
DEAREST L.B. I will love you forever. Your Cherub Brown Eyes.
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DOROTHEA White of Sutton-in-Ashfield. Happy Birthday today. Love from Catherine.
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JAMES Umbrella? Torch? Pen Game? Evenings have become boring. Write soon! Iain.
JAMES Benjamin Powell born 26th Sept to Sarah & Christopher - love the Kennedy's.
JAMES, Thank you for your love and support this year, love Bunnie.
JOEY Lad says hello to his Grandma and Grandad. Doris Blackpool.
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AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr Justice Hoffmann at the Royal Courts of Justice Strand, London WC2A 2LL on Monday the 14th day of October 1991.
Any Creditor or Shareholder of the said Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said reduction of Share Premium Account should appear at the time of the hearing in person or by Counsel for that purpose.
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Dated the 5th October 1991
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(Ref: LGDM/PJW/S0261L)

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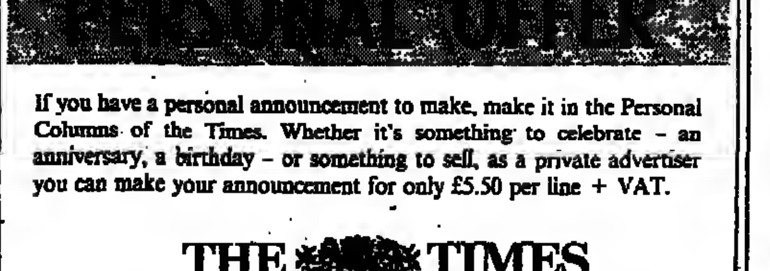

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If this, the first Church congress of this century, was a time for retrospection, it was also a time for looking to the future, a future fraught with many similar difficulties as those 90 years later.

CAUSE FOR ANXIETY IN THE CHURCH

The ecclesiastical revival of the past sixty years has done much for the Church and the nation. It has restore old and multiplied new churches. It has raised the standard both of public worship and of clerical life. It has stimulated missionary zeal, and caused the expansion of the Church to keep pace with the expansion of the Empire, so that abroad as well as at home it has been marked by strenuous efforts to rise to the responsibilities of an Imperial as well as a National Church.

But as serious Churchmen look forward, there is much to cause anxiety, if not misgiving. The increase of wealth with its attendant materialism, the rise of social and economic problems unknown a century ago, the inroads of critical research upon established faiths and traditions, and the growing tendency to disregard the ministrations of religion call for increased power and for increased effort, if the Church is to hold her ground as a guide and purifier of national life.

Yet along with the ever-increasing calls upon her efforts there are ominous signs of increasing inability to meet them. The growing poverty of the clerical calling, leading to a decrease in the number of candidates for the ministry; the decline in the supply of a learned clergy, able to cope with intellectual difficulties and the problems of criticism, at least upon a level with the educated laity; and the consequently diminishing influence of the pulpit over men — these are ugly phenomena, recognized by the Congress with something of sadness.

The divisions, too, which, by estranging Churchmen upon trivial matters, so often paralyse religious effort, are noted with a certain hopeless resignation. These thoughts, coupled with the undoubted fact that in the life of great cities, which more and more colours our national life, the Church has small hold over the masses of the people, and may even be said to be altogether outside their lives, may well damp the enthusiasm, though we hope that it does not weaken the resolution, of the representative Churchmen assembled in congress. No impartial reader of their proceedings could fail to note this element of disquietude.

We have reported those proceedings so fully that there is less occasion for detailed comment. The subjects, as we have before noted, were well chosen; the most interesting of them, apparently, to the Congress at large being that of Wednesday upon Authority in the Church of England, overlapping to some extent the ground of Thursday morning's discussion of the Reformation Settlement and the appeal to antiquity, and that of Thursday afternoon upon the social problems of housing the poor and dealing with "Hooliganism."

Three excellent papers on the housing question were read. The outcome of the three papers was that little reliance can be placed upon what Mr Masterman termed "successive waves of gusty philanthropy"; that some check must be put upon private enterprise, characterized by the same speaker as "the free play of competitive greed"; and that State or municipal action alone can deal adequately with the problem.

Furious motor driving - At Chelmsford yesterday, Victor Lee, engineer, of London, was fined £5 and £1 4s 8d costs for driving a motor car between Ingatestone and Chelmsford at a greater speed than 12 miles an hour. The defendant covered five miles in 14 minutes.

FULLER

BBC 1

7.25 News and weather
7.30 Ovide. Cartoon adventures of a duckbilled platypus (r) **7.40 Opposites Attract.** The third of a 15-part children's nature series in which Derek Griffiths investigates animals and their various habitats (s) **7.50 The Jetsons.** Space-age cartoon (r)
8.15 Chucklevision. Comedy from Paul and Barry, the Chuckle brothers. This week they become hospital porters (s) **8.35 Dungeons and Dragons.** Animated fantasy series (r)
9.00 Going Live! presented by Sarah Greene and Phillip Schofield. The guests include pop stars Chesney Hawkes and Dannii Minogue, organist Carlo Curley and American children's author, Paula Danziger, who has advice on the best of the recently published children's books. There are also details of a competition to visit Florida's Universal studios to help celebrate Fred Flintstone's thirtieth birthday (s) **12.12 Weather**
12.15 Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **12.20** Football: a review of the week's European competitions results; **12.40** Motor Sport: round 12 of the Esso British touring car championship from Thruxton; **1.00 News; 1.05** Swimming: the Speedo Fastwater International from Birmingham; **2.00, 2.35,** and **3.10** Racing from Chepstow; **2.15** and **2.20** Trampolining: the world cup from the National Indoor arena, Birmingham; **3.25** and **4.00** Gymnastics: the Gymnastic Classic from Birmingham; **3.50** Football half-times; **4.35** Final Score
5.00 News and weather
5.10 Regional News and sport. Wales (to 5.45) Wales on Saturday
5.15 One to Win. Three contestants play the trivia quiz for the chance to win s week's luxury holiday. Presented by Andrew O'Connor. (Ceefax) (s)
5.45 Only Fools and Horses. Another re-run from the early years of John Sullivan's priceless low-life comedy starring David Jason as Del, the Peckham entrepreneur. This week he pits his mischievous sense of humour against Rodney's naturally kind nature. The result is a worrying time for the whole the Trotter family. With Nicholas Lyndhurst and Lennard Pearce (r). (Ceefax)
6.15 Bruce Forsyth's Generation Game. Family couples compete for a chance to win a conveyor belt of prizes. With Rosemarie Ford. (Ceefax) (s)
7.15 Challenge Anneka. The hyperactive Anneka Rice races around collecting volunteers and equipment to complete s task for a good cause. This week she enlists the help of an undertaker, a town crier, a blacksmith and a host of scaffolders. (Ceefax)
8.05 Birds of a Feather: The Lost Weekend. Earthy comedy series starring Pauline Quirke and Linda Robson as the prison widows. With Lesley Joseph as their intrusive neighbour Dorien. (Ceefax) (s)
8.35 The House of Eliott. Polished drama series set in London during the 1920s and following the fortunes of two sisters, played by Stella Gonet and Louise Lombard. Their business and personal problems are beginning to mount. Nobody will back them in the fashion business because of their inexperience. Evie turns down a marriage proposal from her odious guardian and Beatrice sees her impoverished swain decamping to Birmingham to join the rep. (Ceefax) (s)
9.30 News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Sport and weather

Studio guest: the writer and actress Carrie Fisher (9.50pm)

9.50 Saturday Night Clive. Clive James casts a cynical eye over television programmes from all parts of the globe. He is joined in the studio by the American writer and actress Carrie Fisher
10.35 Film: Stillwatch (1987) starring Lynda Carter, Angie Dickinson, Don Murray and Stuart Whitman. Diverting drama of the occult about a television reporter, delving into the background of a Washington senator, who is plunged into a series of frightening events surrounding a haunted home, a neighbouring psychic and a murder committed years before. Directed by Rod Holcomb
12.10am Film: Easy Prey (1986) starring Gerald McRaney and Shawnee Smith. Unpleasant TV movie, based on a true case, about a psychopathic serial killer who kidnaps a teenage girl and takes her on a harrowing cross country car journey. Directed by Sandor Stern
1.50 Weather

BBC 2

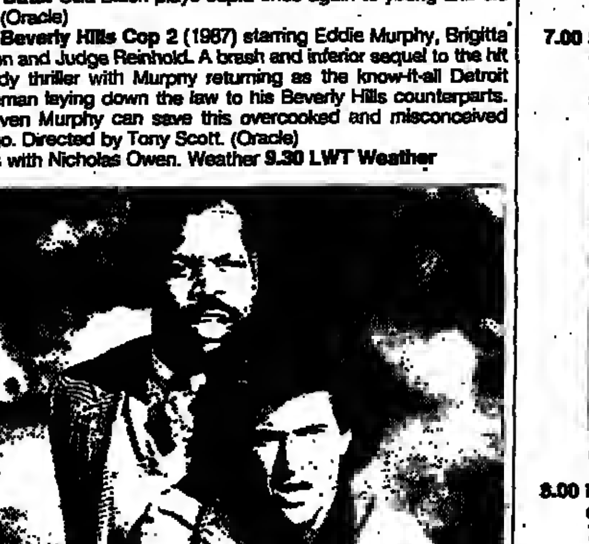
9.00 Film: Quartet (1949, b/w): W. Somerset Maugham introduces adaptations of four of his short stories — *The Facts of Life* in which a naive young man falls for a Monte Carlo temptress, starring Basil Radford and Mai Zetterling; *The Alien Corn* in which Dirk Bogarde stars as an aspiring musician; *The Kite* with George Cole as a man dominated by his wife and mother; and *The Colonel's Lady* in which Nora Swinburne embarrasses husband Cecil Parker when she publishes a book of romantic verse. Directed by, in order, Ralph Smart, Harold French, Arthur Crabtree and Ken Annakin
10.55 Holiday Outings. Kathy Tayler visits the Dominican Republic
11.05 Discoveries. Thomas Kren of the University of California examines the Hastings Hours, a 15th-century manuscript (r)
11.55 The Sky at Night. The discovery of what is thought to be the most luminous object in the universe (r)
12.15 Film: The Planter's Wife (1952, b/w) starring Claudette Colbert, Jack Hawkins and Anthony Steel. Flat drama about a British plantation owner and his wife in Malaya who are besieged by terrorists. Directed by Ken Annakin
1.45 Heirs and Graces. Lady Victoria Leatham explores her 240-room family home — Burghley House (r)
2.15 Network East. The first of a new magazine series on Asian topics
2.45 Mahabharat. Episode 66 of the 93-part Indian epic
3.25 Film: The Fighting Gringo (1939, b/w) starring George O'Brien. Formula western about a Mexican landowner who is framed for a murder he did not commit. Directed by David Howard
4.20 Film: The French Line (1954) starring Jane Russell, Gilbert Roland and Arthur Hunnicutt. Minor musical comedy, originally made in 3D, about a Texas heiress looking for love in Paris. Directed by Lloyd Bacon
6.00 Japanese Language and People. The fourth of a ten-part series focuses on shopping
6.30 Late Again. Highlights of *The Late Show* including tribute to the late Miles Davis (s) **7.15 Have I Got News For You?** (r) (s)
7.45 News with Laurie Mayer. Sport and weather

Presenting *Top of the Pops* in 1964: Jimmy Savile (8.00pm)

8.00 Sounds of the 60s.
● CHOICE: The BBC has raided its own archives to come up with a ten-part retrospective of pop music as it was televised a generation ago. Despite the outrage of Mrs Mary Whitehouse, recalled in a clip at the end of the tonight's compilation, the overriding impression is of overwhelming respectability. Young men plucking guitars in neat suits and glasses could have come straight out of a church choir and even the Rolling Stones are about as subversive as Vera Lynn. Pop was still a comfortable family entertainment. *Top of the Pops* was starting to get established but pop artists were just as likely to turn up on children's shows such as *Blue Peter* or *Crackerjack*. Or even be introduced by Lenny the Lion. The images are in black and white, the camerawork can be primitive and most of the songs, and some of the performers, have worn badly. But for those of a certain age it will be deeply nostalgic
8.30 Home Boys From Hollywood. Documentary profiles of Hollywood's black film directors
9.30 Performance: Absolute Hell.
● CHOICE: A season of televised stage plays opens with a drama by Rodney Ackland which displeased both the critics and the Lord Chamberlain when it was first performed in 1952. Since most of the characters are either drunk, or gay or obsessed with sex, or various combinations of all three, p rhaps that is not surprising. Even by the liberated standards of the 1990s it is hardly family viewing. Ackland uses a drinking club in London in the weeks after the end of the second world war as the focus for a group of misfits and outsiders to play out their ostrich-like lives. Reality, in the form of the Labour victory at the 1945 general election, obtrudes but only just. Among a strong cast relishing the macabre humour of it all are Judi Dench as the gin-sodden hostess with a leaning towards hunky GIs, Betty Marsden as a lesbian literary critic and Bill Nighy as a sponging writer abandoned by his gay partner. (Ceefax)
11.30 Film: An Autumn Afternoon (1962). The *Made in Japan* season continues with this masterly study of an ageing widower reflecting on the departure of his children and the changes in Japanese society. Starring Chishu Ryu and directed by Yasujiro Ozu, his last film, made the year before he died. Ends at **1.25am**

ITV

6.00 TV-am
9.25 Motormouth. Young people's entertainment. Today's guests include the pop group Marillion and *EastEnders* actress Daniella Westbrook. Plus Gaby Roslin with a some baby gorillas and Steve Johnson trying "barfly jumping"
11.30 The Chart Show. The *Vintage Video* slot features Furniture with "Brilliant Mind" (s)
12.30 Saint & Greavsie. Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves review the results in last week's European competitions and look ahead to tomorrow's game at Old Trafford between Manchester United and Liverpool
1.00 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather **1.05 LWT News** and weather
1.10 Rugby World Cup. Live coverage of the pool two match at Murrayfield between Scotland and Japan, introduced by Frank Bough. When the teams last met, two years ago, Japan pulled off a shock by winning 28-24. Joining John Taylor in the commentary box is former Scottish international Gordon Brown, two former England stars Steve Smith and Gareth Chilcott and international referee Clive Norling. This match is preceded by highlights of the first half of the pool one game at Otley between the United States and Italy followed by live coverage of the second half. The commentator for this match is Bob Symonds with expert comment from former England skipper Nigel Melville
4.45 Results Service presented by Elton Welsby
5.00 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather **5.05 LWT News** and weather
5.10 10 Sharp! Pat Sharp entertains LaToya Jackson, sister of singer Michael, who talks about her new book (s)
5.20 Baywatch. Sun-kissed adventures of members of the Los Angeles lifeguards, in this yarn on the trail of a suitcase containing $1 million, lost by bank robbers when their getaway plane crashes (r). (Oracle)
6.15 Blind Date. Cilla Black plays cupid once again to young and old alike. (Oracle)
7.15 Film: Beverly Hills Cop 2 (1987) starring Eddie Murphy, Brigitte Neilson and Judge Reinhold. A brash and inferior sequel to the hit comedy thriller with Murphy returning as the know-it-all Detroit policeman laying down the law to his Beverly Hills counterparts. Not even Murphy can save this overcooked and misconceived farrago. Directed by Tony Scott. (Oracle)
9.10 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather **9.30 LWT Weather**

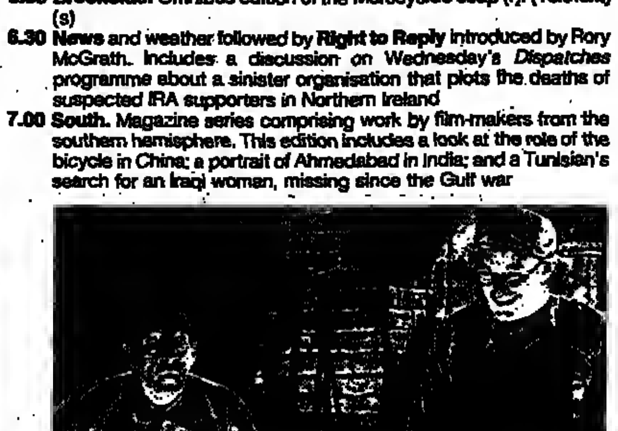


Humorous interplay: Danny Glover and Mel Gibson (9.35pm)

9.35 Film: Lethal Weapon (1987).
● CHOICE: Mel Gibson gave his faltering career a welcome lift with this fast and exciting thriller about a couple of Los Angeles cops on the trail of a vicious drugs ring. The "lethal weapon" of the title, Gibson, is a former Vietnam veteran who has been unhinged by the death of his wife. His partner (Danny Glover) is a decent family man who wants a quiet life and a pension at the end of it. The interplay between Gibson and Glover gives the film much of its bite and also injects a welcome leavening of humour. Gary Busey plays their main adversary, a psychopath far removed from Busey's screen portrayal of Buddy Holly. Richard Donner, of *The Omen* and *Superman*, directs. The film's enormous box-office success led inevitably to a sequel. The violence and bad language has been toned down for this television version. (Oracle)
11.30 Rugby World Cup 91. Highlights from three of today's games — Fiji v Canada, Italy v United States and Scotland v Japan
12.25am Tour of Duty. American drama series about a group of raw recruits on active service in Vietnam
1.30 WCW Pro Wrestling from the United States
2.25 New Music. Celebrity interviews and videos presented by Denise Dolan and Jan Lynne White
3.30 Baseball 1991. Highlights from the United States
4.25 The Hit Man and Her. Disco music, news and fashions presented by Michaela Strachan and Pete Waterman
5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Comic Book. Cartoons **7.00 Once Upon a Time . . . Space.** Animated characters explore outer space **7.30 High 5.** A look at unusual, exciting sports **8.00 Trans World Sport.** International sporting news and features
9.00 News summary followed by **Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line**
9.30 Class By Class. The last in Ray Gosling's seven-part series on class barriers in Britain (r)
10.00 Noah's Ark. This edition of the Spanish wildlife series looks at the Holm oak forests of the Mediterranean coastline
10.30 Wagon Train (b/w). Vintage western series. The wagon train is stuck in snow and men begin to disappear in strange circumstances.
11.30 Australian Rules Football. The featured game is the Hawthorn Hawks v the West Coast Eagles
12.30 American Football — Red 42. Mick Luckhurst and Gary Imlach present highlights of the action from week five of the NFL
1.00 Film: Gambling Lady (1934, b/w) starring Barbara Stanwyck, Joel McCrea and Pat O'Brien. Fast-moving romantic melodrama about the card-dealing daughter of a professional gambler who meets and marries a millionaire, against his family's wishes, and then becomes involved in murder. Directed by Archie Mayo
2.15 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket and Longchamp. Brough Scott and Brian Thompson introduce live coverage of nine races — the 2.25, 2.55, 3.30 and 4.05 from Longchamp and the 2.45, 3.10, 3.45, 4.20 (William Hill Cambridgeshire Handicap) and 4.50 from Newmarket
5.05 Brookside. Omnibus edition of the Merseyside soap (r). (Teletext) (s)
6.30 News and weather followed by **Right to Reply** introduced by Rory McGrath. Includes a discussion on Wednesday's *Dispatches* programme about a sinister organisation that plots the deaths of suspected IRA supporters in Northern Ireland
7.00 South. Magazine series comprising work by film-makers from the southern hemisphere. This edition includes a look at the role of the bicycle in China; a portrait of Ahmedabad in India; and a Tunisian's search for an Iraqi woman, missing since the Gulf war



Gold fever: Stanley Holloway and Alec Guinness (8.00pm)

8.00 Film: The Lavender Hill Mob (1951, b/w).
● CHOICE: Hardened viewers may complain that they have seen *The Lavender Hill Mob* so often that they can recite it backwards but it is one of the handful of films that familiarity never stales. T.E.B. Clarke's screenplay, for which he won an Oscar, is based on a simple comic idea which is brilliantly worked through. On top of that, the film has the great virtue of brevity. No one these days would dare to end a cinema feature after less than 80 minutes but *The Lavender Hill Mob* knows exactly when to stop. In one of his delightfully quirky Ealing roles, Alec Guinness plays a meek little bank clerk who gangs up with Stanley Holloway to rob his own bank. This apparently perfect crime leads to adventures in Paris and a climactic police chase through bomb-scarred London. The ingredients are skilfully orchestrated by the director Charles Crichton, who many years later made *A Fish Called Wanda*
9.30 Film: The Open Window (1987). The second in a season of short films made by promising new American directors, this week Rupert Wainwright. Barry Neikrug and Roscoe Lee Brown star in the story of a man who, on the night before an important meeting, is driven mad by a window banging in a nearby apartment
10.00 Sumo. A documentary celebrating the first Sumo wrestling tournament to be held outside Japan, starting on Wednesday at the Albert Hall in London. The programme follows the story of the legendary Chiyonofuji, the Wolf, who announced his retirement this year after a decade's domination of the sport
11.00 Status Quo. To celebrate the band's 25th anniversary they attempt to perform four live charity concerts in the space of 12 hours in four different British cities
12.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. Helped by Susan Woolf, author of *Fifty Ways to Find a Lover*, the audience of single people learn of various ways to find a date (r)
12.50am American Football — Red 42 (r). Ends at **1.20**

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.00am Elephant Boy 6.30 The Flying Kiwi 7.00 Fun Factory 11.00 Danger Bay 11.30 Sha Na Na 12.00 Beyond 2000 1.00pm Combat 2.00 WWF Superstars of Wrestling 3.00 Monkey 4.00 Bear Cats 5.00 240 Robert 6.00 Robin of Sherwood 7.00 TJ Hooker 8.00 Unsolved Mysteries 9.00 Cops I 9.30 Cops II 10.00 All American Wrestling 11.00 The Rookies 12.00 Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
News on the hour
5.00am Sunrise 5.30 Newsline 6.00 Sunrise 9.30 Dayline 10.30 Health Circuit 11.00 Dayline 11.30 Newsline Weekend 12.30pm Those Were The Days 1.30 Holiday Destinations 2.30 Fashion TV 3.30 Those Were The Days 4.30 Health Circuit 5.00 Live at Five 6.30 Newsline Weekend 7.30 Fashion TV 8.30 Holiday Destinations 10.30 Newsline Weekend 11.00 Sky World News Tonight 11.30 Fashion TV 12.30am Holiday Destinations 1.30 Newsline Weekend 2.30 Health Circuit 3.30 Our World 4.30 Those Were The Days

SKY MOVIES+
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.00am Showcase, incl 7.40 Entertainment Tonight
8.00 Cool Change (1979): Australian cattlemen help a young girl facing eviction
10.00 Rockula (1990): A teenage vampire is unable to lose his virginity
12.00 Incident at Dark River (1989): Environmental drama
2.00pm California Girls (1985): A young man has an affair with his dream woman
4.00 Curse of the Pink Panther (1982): Ted Wass follows in the wake of Peter Sellers
5.40 Entertainment Tonight
9.00 Gunbus (1986): Two fugitive cowboys enlist for active service in the first world war
6.00 Best of the Best (1989): Kick-boxing drama, starring Eric Roberts
16.00 Re-Animator 2: Bride of Re-Animator (1990): The crazed inventor returns to put together a woman using spare body parts. Starring Jeffrey Combs
11.40 Scent of Passion: A choreographer moulds a beautiful woman into his vision of perfection
1.20am Married to the Mob (1989): Michelle Pfeiffer stars as a mobster's widow
3.00 House of Usher (1990): An American couple visit their uncle (Oliver Reed) in England and fall foul of the family curse
4.40 Modern Girls (1986): The exploits of a trio of young women. Ends at 6.00

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.15am Ship of Fools (1965): Drama about the passengers on a German ocean liner in 1933. Starring Vivien Leigh
8.45 Just Around the Corner (1938, b/w): Curly-haired moppet Shirley Temple helps her father to succeed in business
10.15 The Princess Comes Across (1936, b/w). Showgirl Carole Lombard disguises herself as a Swedish princess
12.00 World Entertainment Report
1.00pm Dr Strangelove (1964): Stanley Kubrick's black comedy about a pre-emptive nuclear strike against the Soviet Union. Starring Peter Sellers
2.40 Appointment with Danger (1949): Alan Ladd and Phyllis Calvert team up to solve a murder
4.15 Silent Voice (1987). A boy petitions for nuclear disarmament
6.15 The Creature from the Black Lagoon (1954): A scientific expedition encounters a monstrous humanoid fish
7.50 Spotlight
8.15 Child's Play (1988): A child's doll is possessed by the spirit of a murderer
10.05 Sea of Love (1989): New York cop Al Pacino falls in love with the prime suspect (Ellen Barkin) in a murder investigation
12.00 The January Man (1988): Kevin Kline is called in to solve a series of murders
1.40am The Postman Always Rings Twice (1981): A drifter (Jack Nicholson) conspires with a frustrated housewife (Jessica Lange) to murder her husband
3.40 A Chorus of Disapproval (1989): Widower Jeremy Irons joins an amateur dramatics society. Ends at 5.25

THE COMEDY CHANNEL
● Via the Astra satellite.
4.00pm The Lucy Hour 5.00 The Love Boat 6.00 Car 54, Where Are You? 6.30 The Monkees 7.00 Abbott and Costello 7.30 Maniac Mansion 8.00 Film: A Night at the Opera (1935, b/w) 10.00 Comic Strip Live 11.00 The Last Laugh 11.30 The Burns and Allen Show

SKY SPORTS
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.30am Aerobics 7.00 NFL Today 6.00 Fishing the West 8.30 European League Roundup 9.30 Sky Soccer Weekend 16.00 Power Hour Wrestling 11.30 Motor World 12.00 German League Football 2.00pm Superbouts 8.00 Sydney Indoor Tennis 6.00 Sky Soccer Classics 7.00 WWF Primetime Wrestling 8.30 NFL Follies 9.00 Ringside 11.00 Red Line 12.00 NFL American Football 2.00am Ringside

EUROSPORT
● Via the Astra satellite.
9.00am International Motor Sport 10.00 Amsterdam Marathon 10.30 Equestrian 11.30 Dutch Sport Magazine Programme 12.00 Wrestling 1.00pm Aerobatics 1.30 Women's Tennis from Germany; Tennis: Toulouse Open; Women's Volleyball; International Motor Sport; Women's Volleyball 10.00 Boxing 11.00 Tennis: Toulouse Open 12.00 Weightlifting World Championships

SCREENSPORT
● Via the Astra satellite.
7.00am Swiss Open Polo Championships 8.00 Fun TV Windsurfing 8.30 Gillette World Sport Special 9.00 German Tennis 10.30 Rodeo 11.00 Diesel Jeans Superbike 12.00 Argentine Soccer 12.45pm Rugby World Cup: Italy v USA (NB: The following programmes may be subject to alteration) 2.45 Rugby World Cup 1991: Scotland v Japan 4.40 Powersports International 5.40 Volvo PGA European Golf Tour 1991 7.45 Rugby World Cup: Fiji v Canada 9.30 Rugby World Cup Highlights 16.30 Volvo PGA European Golf Tour 11.30 Matchroom Pro Box 12.30am German Tennis 2.00 FIA International F3000 Championships 3.00 Rugby World Cup Highlights 4.00 British Formula 3000 5.00 Rugby World Cup Highlights 0.00 American College Football

LIFESTYLE
● Via the Astra satellite.
12.00 Annie Oakley 12.30pm The Smothers Brothers 1.00 White Shadow 1.55 Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous 2.50 Spain Spain Holiday 3.05 Roller Derby 4.00 Film: Dick Tracy's Dilemma 5.30 Burns and Allen 6.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 8.00 Close 10.00 Satellite Jukebox

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ITV VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 5.05pm-5.20 Anglia News

BORDER
As London except: 5.05pm Border News 6.15-5.20 Cartoon Time 12.25 Film: The Hunters 1.50 Rick Rubin — in Profile 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 Videofashion 4.30 Pacific Sportsworld 5.05-5.30 William Tell

CENTRAL
As London except: 5.15-5.30 Central Goals Extra 12.30 Film: Bang the Drum Slowly 2.20 CinemAttractions 2.45 Top Ten 3.20 Alfred Hitchcock 3.45 Wrestling 4.45-5.30 Jobs

GRANADA
As London except: 6.10pm-5.30 Granada Goals Extra 12.30 Film: The Hunters (Tony Lo Bianco, Don Meredith) 1.50 Rick Rubin in Profile 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 Videofashion 4.30 Pacific Sports World 5.05-5.30 William Tell

HTV WEST
As London except: 5.05pm-5.30 HTV West News and Sport

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 5.20pm-6.15 Baywatch

SCOTTISH
As London except: 5.05pm Scotland Today 5.15-5.20 Cartoon Time 12.35am Men 1.30 Cue the Music 2.30 CinemAttractions 3.00 The Greatest FA Cup Victories (Manchester United) 4.00-5.30 Film: The Long Dark Hall

TSW
As London except: 11.30am Superman 12.00-12.30 The South West Week 12.25am Film: The Hunters 1.50 Pop Profile — Rick Rubin 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 Videofashion 4.30 Pacific Sportsworld 5.05-5.30 William Tell

TYNE TEES
As London except: 5.05pm Northern Life Sports Special 6.15-5.20 Cartoon Time 12.30am Film: The Hunters 1.50 Rick Rubin — in Profile 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 Videofashion 4.30 Pacific Sportsworld 5.05-5.30 William Tell

ULSTER
As London except: 5.05pm-5.20 Ulster Newstime and Sport 12.30 Film: The Hunters 1.50 Rick Rubin — in Profile 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 Videofashion 4.30 Pacific Sportsworld 5.05-5.30 William Tell

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 5.05pm Calendar News 5.15-5.20 Cartoon Time 11.35 Your Match 12.35 Rugby World Cup '91 Highlights 1.30 Cursed with Charisma 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 The American Century 5.00 Music Box 5.25-5.30 Profile of New Kids On The Block

S4C
Starts: 6.00am Comic Book 7.00 Once Upon A Time — Space 7.30 High 5 6.00 Transworld Sport 9.00 News Summary 9.06 C4 Racing 9.30 Jellin 10.00 Time Tunnel 11.00 I Love Lucy* 11.30 Australian Rules Football '91 12.30 American Football — Red 42 1.00 Sixthirtysomething 1.30 Critical Eye: Picking Oakum 2.30 Rygbi — Cwpan Y Byd 4.40 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket 5.05 Brookside 6.30 Wonder Years 7.00 Newyddion Nos Sadwrn 7.25 Bacha Hi O Ma 8.10 TV Tell 8.40 The Parenthood Game 9.40 Rygbi — Cwpan Y Byd 10.40 Film: The Pursuit of Happiness 12.10 Frank's Place 12.40 The Oprah Winfrey Show 1.30 Diwedd

RTE 1
Starts: 9.00am Scratch Saturday 1.00 CHiPs 1.50 News followed by The Disney Hour 2.45 The Great Bubble Conspiracy 3.00 Gunsmoke 3.55 Film: The Man Inside 5.30 Eureka 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 News: 6.15 Mailbag 6.40 Talkabout 7.10 Baywatch 8.00 Secrets 9.00 News 9.20 Kenny Live 10.40 Brides of Christ 11.40 Cool Clear Crystal Streams 12.40 News 12.45am Close

NETWORK 2
Starts: 12.30pm News 12.34 Sports Stadium 6.00 Once Upon A Time 6.30 Seachtain 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 The Trials of Life 8.00 News 8.05 Film: Shane 10.15 World Cup Rugby 10.55 Fist Works 11.25 Film: Firepower 1.15 Close

Eddie Murphy (ITV, 7.15pm)

RADIO 1
FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Paul McKenna (FM only until 6.00am) 7.00 The Bruno and Liz Breakfast Show 10.00 Dave Lee Travis 1.00pm Adrian Juste 2.00 Prince: A profile by Paul Gambaccini 3.00 Johnnie Walker 7.00 The Saturday Rock Show with Alan Freeman 10.00 In Concert: The Richard Thompson Band, recorded at London's Town and Country Club in August 11.00 John Peel (FM only after 12.00) 2.00-4.00am Neale James (FM only)

RADIO 2
FM Stereo. 4.00am Steve Madden: The Early Show 6.00 Graham Knight 8.05 Saturday Club: Brian Matthew introduces the fifth anniversary programme, broadcast on this day in 1963 (r) 10.00 Anne Robinson 12.00 Gerald Harper 1.30pm The News Huddlines (r) 2.00 Ed Stewart 4.00 Kenny Ball Bandshow: Last in the series 4.30 Katie and Friends: Katie Boyle's weekly magazine for animal lovers 5.00 Cinema 2 with Charles Nove 5.30 Music by . . . Henry Mancini 9.00 Brooks Aahron's Serenade (r) 7.00 Haydn's Creation (see Weekend Times) 9.30 Easy Does It 10.00 Radio 2 Arts Programme 12.05am Stars of the 1960s, with Peter Asher of Peter and Gordon (r) 1.00 John Terrett with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

RADIO 5
News and sport on the hour until 2.00pm. 6.00am World Service: News and 24 Hours 6.30 Morning Edition 9.00 On Your Marks: Mark Curry celebrates the tenth anniversary of Radio Gosh at Great Ormond Street hospital, and the fiftieth birthday of the Flintstones 12.00 Sport on 4 Plus 1 (broadcast on Radio 4 at 9.05am) 12.30pm Sportscall: Win a day's racing trail at Brands Hatch. Tel: 0345 909693 1.30 Sport on 5, with John Inverdale. Rugby World Cup: Scotland v Japan at Murrayfield; Football: Barclays League. Racing from Newmarket: (3.00) Cheveley Park Stud Sun Chariot Stakes; (3.35) William Hill Cambridgeshire 5.00 Sports Report 6.05 Six Sic: Danny Baker presents a mix of music and the day's sports news 7.30 Le Top. Marc Dumont and Fiona Spachter with hits from the French music station, Europe 1 9.00 Afropop Worldwide. A visit to the street festivals and samba schools of Brazil 10.00 Sports Bulletin 10.10 On the Level: A journey through sound from East Anglia, incl at 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.15am News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE
All times in BST. 5.30am World Business Report 5.40 Travel and Weather News 5.45 News and Press Review in German 6.00 German Features 6.24 News in German 6.30 Europe Today 6.59 Weather 7.00 Newsdesk 7.30 Londres Matin 7.59 Weather 8.00 World News 8.09 24 Hours Live; News Summary 8.30 From the Weeklies 8.45 English Songsmiths 9.00 World News 9.09 Words of Faith 9.15 A Jolly Good Show 10.00 World News 10.05 Waveguide 10.15 Worldbrief 10.30 Personal View 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News Summary 11.01 Jazz Now and Then 11.15 Letter from America 11.30 People and Politics 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30pm Londres Midi 12.45 Mittagsmagazin 12.59 Weather 1.00 World News 1.09 News About Britain 1.15 Multitrack 3 1.45 2.00 Newshour 3.00 Club 649 3.15 Sportsworld 4.00 World News 4.15 Sportsworld (cont) 5.00 World News 5.09 News About Britain 5.15 BBC English 5.30 News in German 5.40 German Features 5.59 Travel News 6.00 News Summary 6.01 Omnibus 6.30 Londres Soir 7.14 BBC English 7.29 News Summary 7.30 Heute Aktuell 8.54 News in German 9.00 World News 9.09 Book Choice 9.15 Londres Dernière 9.30 Europe This Weekend 10.00 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.05 Seeing Stars 11.20 Meridian 11.30 Sports Roundup 12.00 World News 12.05am Words of Faith 12.10 Book Choice 12.15 A Jolly Good Show 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 Play of the Week: Mrs Klein 3.00 Newsdesk 3.30 Robin Hood 4.00 World News 4.09 News About Britain 4.15 Sports Roundup 4.30 From Our Own correspondent 4.50 Write On. 5.00 Newsdesk

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather; News Headlines
7.00 Morning Concert: Rodrigo, transc Romero (Sones en la Giralda); Telemann (Suite, Don Quichotte)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Gershwin, arr Rose (Overture, Funny Face); Joplin (The Chrysanthemum); Sarasate (Zigeunerweisen); Garner/Burke (Misty); Falla (Nights in the Gardens of Spain)
8.30 News
8.35 BBC Scottish SO under Alexander Gibson performs Sibelius (The Dryad); Klami (Cheremissian Fantasy); Sibelius (The Bard); Tchaikovsky (Rococo Variations) (r)
9.35 Saturday Review, with Richard Osborne. Building a Library: Smetana's String Quartet No 1, From My Life; romantic piano music; a Bartók reissue. **10.40** Record Release: Benda (Flute Concerto in G: Neil McLaren; Cambridge Baroque Camerata under Hellyer-Jones, harpsichord); Liszt (Piano Sonata in B minor: Krystian Zimerman); Respighi (Poema autunnale: Slovak RSO under Lenard, with Viktor Simcisko, violin); Bartók (Suite, Op 14: the composer, piano); Stephen Johnson on the record industries of former communist Europe; Leningrad Rimsky-Korsakov Conservatoire Chorus under Alexander Titov performs Russian Orthodox Choral Music; Smetana (From Bohemia's Woods and Fields: Czech PO under Kubelik)
12.40pm Japan Season: Snapshot — The Romance of the Road
● CHOICE: It's a pedestrian start, literally, for Radio 3's four-week Japan season which kicks off with this, the first of nine "snapshots" of Japan, and continues until November 1 with more than 100 broadcasts of Japanese drama, music, and features. Stylistically, there is certainly nothing pedestrian about Alan Booth's account of the two-week walking holiday in Japan which he took with a friend, freshly arrived from England and clearly determined to resist the attractions of the long walk. Psychologically, a downbeat is probably the soundest way to launch a season that will extol another nation's culture. After all, four weeks of upbeats lie ahead
1.00 News
1.05 Lufthansa Festival of Baroque Music: Telemann (Inc: St James's Baroque Players under Ivor Bolton, with Emma Kirkby, soprano)
1.45 Salomon String Quartet performs Pleyel (Quartet in C); Vachon (Quartet in D, Op 6 No 6); Haydn (Quartet in E flat, Op 33 No 2, Joke) (r)
2.40 Concertos for Orchestra: BBC Philharmonic under Yan Pascal Tortelier performs Weber (Overture, Euryanthe); Patterson (Concerto for orchestra); Bartók (Concerto for orchestra)
4.40 Japan Season: Young Japanese Artists. Nanae Yoshimura, koto, Kifu Mitsuhashi, shakuhachi, perform Yatsuhashi Kengyo (Midore); Makoto Moroi (Chikurai Gosho); Akira Nishimura (Nanae); Joji Yuasa (Cosmos Haptic No 3, Kokuh)
5.00 Jazz Record Requests, with Geoffrey Smith
5.45 Third Opinion, with Christopher Cook
6.30 Debussy and Ravel: Stephen Coombs and Christopher Scott, pianos, perform Ravel (Introduction and Allegro); Debussy (En blanc et noir; Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune); Ravel (Rapsodie espagnole) (r)
7.30 Japan Season: Saito Kinen Orchestra under Seiji Ozawa performs Takemitsu (Requiem for strings); Brahms (Symphony No 3). **8.15** Piers Burton-Page reads from Shusaku Endo's *Foreign Studies*. **8.20** Brahms (Symphony No 2)
9.10 Japan Season: Kabuki. A profile of this extravagant and colourful theatrical form
10.10 Solo Violin: Erich Gruenberg plays Paul Patterson (Luslawice Variations — first UK broadcast); Bartók (Sonata)
10.50 Thomas Hampson, baritone, Geoffrey Parsons, piano, perform Schumann (Märzveilchen; Muttertraum; Der Soldat; Der Spielmann, Op 40); Wolf (Frech und froh I and II; Phänomen; Ganymed; Spottlied aus Wilhelm Meister; Der neue Amadis; Anakreons Grab; Ritter Kurts Brautfahrt); Mahler (Rückert Lieder)
12.00 News **12.05am** Close

RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Week **6.50** Prayer for the Day **6.55** Weather **7.00** Today, incl **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.55** Weather **8.58** Weather
9.00 News **9.05** Sport on 4
9.30 Breakaway: Holiday magazine with Ken Bruce. Mike Bullen goes on a train journey across India, from Delhi to Calcutta
10.00 News; Loose Ends: Ned Sherrin hosts an hour of live interjections
11.00 News; Conference Special: Peter Jenkins reports on this week's Labour party conference in Brighton
11.30 From Our Own Correspondent
12.00 Money Box: Heather Payton with financial advice
12.25pm The News Quiz (s) **12.55** Weather
1.00 News
1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby is joined in Henfield, Sussex, by Margaret Beckett, MP, shadow chief secretary to the treasury; Sir John Harvey-Jones; Michael Heseltine, MP; and Des Wilson (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Any Answers? 071-580 4411. Ring Jonathan Dimbleby with your views on the issues raised in *Any Questions?*
2.30 Saturday Playhouse: Arcady. A ghost story by Guy Meredith. During the prosperous 1980s, Malcolm and Liz (Michael Kitchen, Harriet Walter) invest their money in a vast, old house filled with a myriad of sounds and voices (s)
3.45 Confessions of a Clockmaker
● CHOICE: The sins of Grant Lees, are the venial variety: dropping a customer's alabaster Taj Mahal clock that smashed into 50 pieces, or hammering away at one of his own timepieces on an anvil as frustration therapy (the two actions are not connected), and not being particularly ambitious (he quotes from Gilbert and Sullivan's Princess Ida: "Who highest soar, fall farthest"). While restoring old English clocks, he listens to Handel and Purcell, though the music serves other purposes too. It drowns not only the ticking of the clocks that surround him but also the chatter of some of his customers (r)
4.00 News; The Litmus Test: Michael Scott hosts the light-hearted scientific panel game (s) (r)
4.30 Science Now: How bioelectronics is helping the development of computers
5.00 Mousemania: Willie Rushton explores the world of mice and men (r)
5.25 Fourth Column: Simon Hoggart and friends take s quizzical look st life **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 News; Sports Round-Up
6.25 Week Ending (s) (r)
6.50 Stop the Week (s)
7.20 Kaleidoscope: When Will Old Mistresses Become Old Masters? As Europe's first conference on women's art history meets in Liverpool, Louisa Buck asks whether the art establishment is still biased against women painters (s)
7.50 Classic Serial: The Personal History of David Copperfield, by Charles Dickens (4 of 10) (s)
8.50 Conversations with Historians: John Miller talks to Elizabeth Longford (r)
9.20 Music in Mind (s)
9.50 Ten to Ten (s) **9.59** Weather
10.00 News
10.15 A Proper Limitation: Georgina Boyes profiles Alice Bertha Gomme, who organised the First International Folklore Congress in London on October 5, 1891 (s)
10.45 The Other MCC: The All-Rounder. In the final visit to Mayfield Cricket Club, Chris Guyver considers his future as a commuting cricketer (s)
11.00 Richard Baker Compares Notes with Colin Matters and Brian Wright, who teach the art of conducting (s) (r)
11.30 The Log Book: Rod Kelly's play about s Londoner's bid to find peace and tranquility in a Welsh holiday cottage (s) (r)
12.00 News, incl **12.20am** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast **12.43** World Service (LW only)

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BBC 1

8.40 The Train Now Departing: The Long Drag. The Settle to Carlisle railway (r)
9.10 News and weather **9.15 In Touch with Healing** presented by Mike Woolridge
9.30 This is the Day. Tony Phelan talks to Sheila Lewis who lost her daughter 25 years ago in the Aberfan disaster
10.00 See Hear! A report from India on the work of Ian Stillman, founder of a training centre for young deaf adults. Wales: No More Nightingales
10.30 Deutsch Direkt (r). Wales: Skillshop **10.55 Fast Feasts** (r)
11.00 No More Nightingales. The role of nurses in the 1990s. Wales: See You Sunday **11.30 Skillshop.** Advice on jobs and training
12.00 The Colour Eye: Colour in Fashion. With Zandra Rhodes (r)
12.30 Country File. John Craven considers a vision of rural Britain in the year 2050. Wales: Farming in Wales **12.55 Weather**
1.00 News followed by **On the Record.** Jonathan Dimbleby talks to Chris Patten, chairman of the Conservative party, about the party's conference which begins on Tuesday
2.00 Eastenders. Omnibus edition (r). (Ceefax) (a)
3.00 Dallas: Conundrum. Feature length final episode of the Ewing oil saga. (Ceefax)
4.25 Devilfish. A documentary about giant octopuses. (Ceefax)
5.05 Stay Tooned! The work of the Hanna Barbera animation team
5.40 The Clothes Show (s)
6.05 Lifeline presented by Cliff Michelmore and Joanna Kaye. With an appeal by Jill Dando on behalf of Community Services Volunteers
6.15 News with Moira Stuart. Weather
6.30 Songs of Praise is Celebrating its 30th Birthday.
● CHOICE: In popular mythology the main contribution of Sir Hugh Greene as director-general of the BBC in the 1960s was to unleash a wave of permissive filth, all the way from Alf Garnett to *Up the Junction*. Ironically his most enduring legacy is something quite different, a programme which far from undermining traditional values has spent 30 years reinforcing them. The appeal of *Songs of Praise* is twofold. Most obviously it is a celebration of hymn singing, proving that it is God and not the Devil who has many of the best tunes. *Songs of Praise* is church with the dull bits left out. More than that it offers reassurance that in a battered and brutal world there are still people who believe, in the face of considerable evidence to the contrary, that goodness will out. Tonight's thirtieth anniversary celebration is a live broadcast linking congregations in London, Cardiff, Glasgow and Northern Ireland. (Ceefax) (a)
7.15 Keeping Up Appearances. Thin Roy Clarke comedy starring the excellent Patricia Routledge as the snob Hyacinth Bucket. (Ceefax) (s)
7.45 Trainer: First Night. Racing soap from the *Howards' Way* stable following the fortunes of a young trainer. Starring Mark Greenstreet, David McCallum and Susannah York (Ceefax) (a)
8.35 Bread. Another slice of the Carla Lane comedy about a workshy Liverpool family. (Ceefax) (a)
9.05 News and Weather (Ceefax)

Ruling the roost: Sean Bean with Prince the Alsatian (9.20pm)

9.20 Screen One: Prince (1991).
● CHOICE: Were this first screenplay by the journalist Julie Birchill not based on her own family, it might be difficult to believe. It is a tale of an Alsatian dog that so takes over a household that the wife (Celia Montague) does not dare go to the loo for fear of inviting the animal's snarl. Holidays are disrupted, neighbours antagonised. Worst of all Prince's doting owner (Sean Bean), makes it very clear to his spouse and young daughter (Jackie McGuire) that the dog always comes first. Perhaps astonishingly, the wife sits back and takes it. Admittedly we are in the early 1960s, when women's lib had not quite emerged. Most of tonight's audience will probably be screaming at her to stand up for herself. *Prince* has amusing moments and clever lines but it is more a collection of incidents than a coherent drama. The device of using the daughter as an adult to narrate the story only underlines this. (Ceefax) (s)
10.35 Everyman: 40 Million Hostages. Report on human rights abuses in *Burma (now Myanmar)*. (r). *Northern Ireland; God Knows 11.05* Everyman
11.20 Japanese - Language and People (r) **11.50 Mahabharat** (r). Northern Ireland: 11.50 Japanese Language and People 12.20am-1.00 Mahabharat **12.30am Weather**

BBC 2

7.25 Tales of a Wise King and the Devil 7.30 Hallo Spencer (r) **7.55 Playdays** (r) **8.15 Bitsa** (r) **8.30 Barber 8.55 The Little Green Planet Show.** Science series (s) (r)
9.10 Blood and Honey: Joshua Smashes Jericho. Stories from the Old Testament
9.30 Defenders of the Earth (r) **9.50 Blue Peter.** Omnibus edition (r)
10.40 The Boy from Andromeda. Six part drama series **11.10 Boxpops** Music from Wham!, David Bowie and the Weather Girls (r) **11.50 The O-Zone** Music magazine (s)
12.00 Film: High Noon (1952, b/w). Fred Zinnemann's famous western starring Gary Cooper as the small town marshal facing trouble *from the noon train. With Grace Kelly and Thomas Mitchell.*
1.20 Jamboree with Dick Stabile (b/w) **1.30 Film 91 With Barry Norman** (r) (s)
2.00 Film: Cleopatra (1963). Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor in the ill-starred Hollywood epic which after the well-publicised production troubles turned out to be an expensive bore. It still managed to collect Oscars for cinematography, art direction, costume design and special effects. Directed by Joseph L. Mankiewicz
5.55 Building Sites. Artist Michael Craig-Martin considers the Lloyds building in London (r)
6.05 This is Your Life (b/w). Eamonn Andrews introduces an array of theatrical stars paying tribute to Dame Sybil Thorndike, originally shown in 1960 (r)
6.35 The Money Programme: Market or Mayhem? In the first of a new series Michael Robinson reports on the collapsed economies of the former Soviet republics
7.15 The Birth of Europe.
● CHOICE: A seven-part series from the BBC's Natural History Unit offers a view of European history that leaves out the kings and generals and stresses the importance of geology and environment. In tonight's programme we hear how a succession of ice ages shaped the European landscape, how man arrived in Europe from *Africa and how a way of life based on hunting and* gathering was transformed by the invention of agriculture. *The Birth of Europe* is written and produced by Michael Andrews, a television wildlife veteran best known for *The Flight of the Condor*. There are some artificial aids. Neanderthal man turns up as a plastic dummy and actors are used to show how early cave dwellers might have lived. Otherwise the programme relies on the real thing, from flint tools to wall paintings. There is no presenter but the commentary is strong enough to stand without one

Illustrated guide to mental disorder: Dr Jonathan Miller (8.10pm)

8.10 Madness: To Define True Madness. (Ceefax)
● CHOICE: Faced with finding a way into a slippery concept, Dr Jonathan Miller settles on autobiography. He claims a dual qualification for the job, as the son of a psychiatrist and as a theatre director who believes that plays are an indispensable source for the mentality of other times. The "mad" scene from *Hamlet* inevitably follows. Miller offers, in effect, an illustrated lecture, delivered from what looks like a musty and abandoned film set. Offering a rich diet of ideas, this is not a series to be viewed casually. Miller's sentences can be long and complex. But the main point of tonight's opener is clear enough. Miller shows how a view of madness as possession by spirits and demons gave way during the 17th century to an explanation stressing physical causes, for which the "cure" was vomits, purges and bleedings. The madness theme continues in tonight's two feature films. (Ceefax)
9.10 Film: One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest (1975): Milos Forman's powerful drama starring Jack Nicholson and Louise Fletcher. Charged with assault and statutory rape Nicholson is transferred from a penal work farm to the State Mental Hospital. He is the sane patient who manages to bring some hope into the lives of the other inmates. Nicholson and Fletcher both won Oscars for their performances and the film also received awards for best picture, *best director and its screenplay.*
11.20 Film: Spellbound (1945, b/w). Hitchcock film some way below his best but with brilliant touches in which a psychoanalyst (Ingrid Bergman) falls for her boss (Gregory Peck) despite knowing that he is an amnesiac and possibly a killer. Ends at **1.10am**

ITV

6.00 TV-am
9.25 Disney Club presented by Andrea Boardman, John Eccleston and Paul Hendy
10.15 Link: Carers. Sally Witchar reports on the role of carers. Usually portrayed as victims doing a job that nobody else wants, she asks whether they divert attention and resources from the disabled people they care for. Signed and subtitled.
10.30 Morning Worship from St Edmund's Roman Catholic Church, Southampton
11.15 The Human Factor: Between Two Worlds. The Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa once claimed that apartheid was "ordained by God" but now admits it is a sin. *Henk Zeeman, a minister of the* church, tries to come to terms with the change. (Oracle)
11.45 Walden. Brian Walden questions Kenneth Clarke, Secretary of State for Education, on the Government's plans for public services (s)
12.30 News with Sue Carpenter. **12.35 LWT News** and weather
12.40 Rugby World Cup 91: Wales v Western Samoa. Live coverage from Cardiff, introduced by Frank Bough, with commentator Bob Symonds. Gerald Davies and Bill Calcraft provide the summaries
2.45 The Match: Manchester United v Liverpool. Live from Old Trafford, introduced by Elton Welsby with commentary by Brian Moore and comment from Gordon Strachan (s)
5.00 Rugby World Cup 91: Ireland v Zimbabwe. Highlights from Dublin, introduced by Frank Bough, with commentator Alastair Hignell and expert analysis from former Irish flanker Nigel Carr
6.00 Bullseye. Darts and general knowledge quiz with Jim Bowen asking the questions. Professional player Keith Deller throws the darts for charity and Tony Green monitors the score. (s)
6.30 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather **6.35 LWT News** and weather.
6.40 Highway. Sir Harry Secombe visits the beautiful hills and shores of Scotland's Mull of Kintyre (Oracle)
7.15 Beadle's About: Jeremy Beadle plays some more tricks on another collection of unsuspecting members of the public
7.45 The Ruth Rendell Mysteries: A New Lease of Death. Episode two of a three-part story, starring George Baker. Wexford's first murder case from 30 years ago has been re-opened and Mike Burden (Christopher Ravencroft) begins to wonder if an innocent man (Trevor Sellers) may have been sent to the gallows. With Peter Egan, Dorothy Tutin and Suzanna Hamilton (Oracle) (s)
8.45 London's Burning. Drama series featuring the on- and off-duty adventures of the crew of a London fire station. Starring Sean Blowers and Rupert Baker. (Oracle)
9.45 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather **10.00 LWT Weather**
10.05 Hale and Pace. Gareth and Norman perform another variable selection of comedy sketches (s)

Collector of film memorabilia: director Terry Gilliam (10.35pm)

10.35 The South Bank Show. An insight into the private world of Terry Gilliam, the former *Monty Python* animator and director of the films *Brazil* and *The Adventures of Baron Munchausen*. He is seen chatting with Michael Palin and making a family video in the garden of his home in Highgate, north London. He also shows his collection of scale models and memorabilia garnered from his film sets. Presented by Melvyn Bragg
11.35 Rugby World Cup 91: Wales v Western Samoa; Ireland v Zimbabwe. Frank Bough introduces highlights of matches played earlier today
12.20am Cue the Music. Part two of the Electric Light Orchestra in concert (s)
1.15 The ITV Chart Show (r) (s)
2.15 Film: The San Francisco Story (1952, b/w). Political drama set in lawless San Francisco in 1856. Starring Joel McCrea and Yvonne De Carlo. Directed by Robert Parrish.
3.45 Hodson Confidential. Philip Hodson discusses impotence
4.15 Pick of the Week. James Whale introduces the best from the regions
4.45 The Magic Wok. Chinese cookery series
5.00 Soap. Madcap American comedy about the eccentric Tate and Campbell families (r)
5.30 ITN Morning News. Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport. Sporting news and features (r) **7.00 Eureeka's Castle.** Cartoons for the under fives **7.30 Alfred J. Kwak.** Adventures of a musical duck **8.00 Starstreet** Adventures of characters based on the sign of the zodiac **8.30 Kelly.** The exploits of a police dog **8.55 New Kids on the Block . . . On Tour** Animated adventures
9.25 The Sword of Tipu Sultan. Indian drama set in the state of Mysore during the 18th Century. With English subtitles
10.00 Dangerous Lives: Hidden Face. In this first of two programmes examining safety at work miners discuss the dangers and hazards involved in their work in the pits
10.45 Dennis. Animated series about a naughty boy and his friends **11.00 Owl TV.** Wildlife series presented by Michaela Strachan. Includes a visit to the Jersey Wildlife Trust to meet a baby orangutan and the world's rarest tortoise (r). (Teletex)
11.30 The Lone Ranger (b/w) Vintage western starring John Hart as the masked avenger. Today he and his side-kick Tonto are threatened by outlaws **12.00 The Waltons.** The final episode of the series **1.00 Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea.** Vintage underwater adventures starring Richard Basehart
2.00 Jezebel. A *Survival* documentary about Terry Reilly of Swaziland and his fight to reintroduce the many wild animals that once lived in his district
2.30 Channel Four Racing International from Longchamp, Paris. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the Ciga Prix du Rond-Point (2.35); the Prix Marcel Boussac (3.10); the Ciga Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp (4.25); and the Ciga Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (4.25)
4.55 News and weather
5.00 Family Pride. Drama serial about three Asian families living in Birmingham (a)
5.30 The Storyteller: Three Ravens. John Hurt tells the story of an evil witch who enchants a newly widowed king. Starring Miranda Richardson and Jonathan Pryce
6.00 Press Gang: Picking up the Pieces. More drama at the *Junior Gazette*. (Teletex) (r)
6.30 The Cosby Show. Award-winning American domestic comedy series starring Bill Cosby
7.00 Equinox: Superpowers? A documentary examining the aims of an international group of sceptics who aim to defend science against those who believe in ghosts, telepathy and UFOs But are they right to deny the place of magic in our lives? (Teletex) (r)
8.00 Classic Cars: Shrink Wrapped Classic. The final programme of the series considers which of today's production line models will be the classics of tomorrow. Experts and collectors give their views
9.00 American Football presented by Mick Luckhurst. The main game is the Denver Broncos at the Houston Oilers. Plus the Minnesota Vikings at the Detroit Lions

Seeking adventure on the open road: Patricia Kerrigan (10.00pm)

10.00 Film on Four: Joyriders (1988). Drama following the journey of a young mother (Patricia Kerrigan) who walks out on her brutal husband, leaves her children at a railway station and takes to the road with a small time car thief (Andrew Connolly). Billie Whitelaw plays a country and western singer she encounters on the way. A well-crafted film which never quite takes off. Directed by Aisling Walsh, her first feature film
11.45 Vietnam Cinema: Little Girl from Hanoi (1973). Moving tribute to the people of Vietnam who died in President Nixon's Christmas B-52 bombing raids in 1972 and using actual scenes of the destruction. The fictional story follows a 12-year-old's search for her family in the aftermath of the carnage. Directed by Hai Ninh, now head of the Vietnam film studio. Ends at **1.10am**

ITV VARIATIONS

BORDER
As London except: 11.35pm Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.35am Rugby World Cup 91 1.15 Quiz Night 1.45 Police Precinct 2.45 Books by My Bedside 3.15 Film: Find the Lady 4.10 Pick of the Week 4.40-5.30 The ITV Chart Show

CENTRAL
As London except: 12.20am Prisoner: Cell Block H 1.15 Film: Esther Waters* 3.15 The ITV Chart Show 4.10 The Concert 5.05-5.30 Central Jobfinder '91

GRANADA
As London except: 2.30-2.45 Cartoon Time 5.00 Bullseye 5.30-6.30 Coronation Street 11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.35 Rugby World Cup 91 1.15 Quiz Night 1.45 Police Precinct 2.45 Books by My Bedside 3.15 Film: Find the Lady 4.10 Pick of the Week 4.40-5.30

SCOTTISH
As London except: 10.15am Glen Michael's Cartoon Cavalcade 11.00-11.15 Link 2.45 Weir's Way 3.05 Film: Wuthering Heights* 5.00-6.30 Scotsport 12.15 Stand Up 12.45 Sprockets 1.15 Quiz Night 1.45 The ITV Chart Show 2.45 Video View 3.15 Pick of the Week 3.45 Kojak 4.40-5.30 Jobfinder

TSW
As London except: 11.35pm TSW Farming Week 12.00 The Twilight Zone 12.35 Rugby World Cup 91 1.15 Quiz Night 1.45 Police Precinct 2.45 Books by My Bedside 3.15 Film: Find the Lady* 4.10 Pick of the Week 4.40-5.30 The ITV Chart Show

TVS
As London except: 12.15am The Human Factor 12.45-1.15 Coast to Coast People

TYNE TEES
As London except: 6.00pm-6.30 The Back Page 11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.35 Rugby World Cup 91 1.15 Quiz Night 1.45 Police Precinct 2.45 Books by My Bedside 3.15 Film: Find the Lady 4.10 Pick of the Week 4.40-5.30 The ITV Chart Show

ULSTER
As London except: 11.35pm Coronation Street 12.35 Rugby World Cup 91 1.15 Quiz Night 1.45 Police Precinct 2.45 Books by My Bedside 3.15 Film: Find the Lady* 4.10 Pick of the Week 4.40-5.30 The ITV Chart Show

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 12.15am Pick of the Week 12.45 The Munsters Today 1.15 The ITV Chart Show 2.15 Schimanski 4.00 Love, American Style 4.20-5.30 Jobfinder

S4C
Starts: 6.00am Trans World Sport 7.00 Eureeka's Castle 7.30 Alfred J Kwak 8.00 Starstreet 8.30 Kelly 8.55 New Kids on the Block 9.25 Willo the Wisp 9.30 Owl TV 10.00 Now You're Talking 10.50 Profiles of Nature 11.15 Dennis 11.30 The Waltons 12.30 Rygbi – Cwpan y Byd 5.00 The Golden Girls 5.30 Pobol y Cwm 7.00 Newyddion 7.05 Seith Ar y Sul 7.20 Bwrw'r Sul 8.05 Hel Straeon 8.35 Dechrau Canu Dechrau Canmol 9.05 Heb Ei Fai 10.20 Ffiniau 10.40 American Football 91-92 12.10 Classic Cars 12.40 Without Walls 1.10 Diwedd

RTE 1
Starts: 10.35am Deutsch Direkt 11.00 Viaje al Español 11.15 Mass 12.00 The Human Jigsaw 12.25 Trading Places 12.50 Little House on the Prairie 2.15 News followed by Booklines 2.50 Life Goes On 3.40 Film: Race to the Yankee Zephyr 5.30 Adventures of the *Black Stallion 6.00* The Angelus 6.01 Six-One Sunday 6.30 Scaoil Amach an Bobailín 7.00 The Wonder Years 7.30 School Around the Corner 8.00 Where in the World 8.30 Glenroe 9.00 News 9.20 Charles Stewart Parnell 10.20 Rich Tea and Sympathy 11.15 Alfred Hitchcock Presents: There Was a Little Girl 11.40 News 11.45 Close

NETWORK 2
Starts: 9.35am Sesame Street 10.35 David the Gnome 11.00 The Beat Box 12.45 World Cup Rugby 5.00 Head to Toe 5.30 Nat King Cole 6.00 The Flying Doctors 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 Northern Exposure 8.00 News, followed by Carrolls RTE Proms 9.00 Film: Tears in the Rain 10.45 World Cup Rugby 11.30 Close

Trevor Sellers (ITV, 7.45pm)

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.00am Bailey's Bird 6.30 Castaway 7.00 Fun Factory 11.00 Hour of Power 12.00 That's Incredible 1.00pm The New Adventures of Wonder Woman 2.00 All American Wrestling 3.00 Those Amazing Animals 4.00 The Love Boat 5.00 Hey Dad 5.30 Hart to Hart 6.30 The Simpsons 7.00 21 Jump Street 8.00 North and South — Book One: First of a four-part mini series 10.00 Falcon Crest 11.00 Entertainment Tonight 12.00 Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. News on the hour.
5.00am Sunrise 5.30 Target 6.00 Sunrise 8.30 Dayline 10.30 Those Were The Days 11.00 Dayline 11.30 Holiday Destinations 12.30pm *Financial Times* Business Weekly 1.30 Target 2.30 Roving Report 3.30 *Financial Times* Business Weekly 4.30 Those Were The Days 5.00 Live at Five 6.30 Roving Report 7.30 *Financial Times* Business Weekly 8.30 Target 9.00 Sky World News Tonight 10.30 Roving Report 11.00 Sky World News Tonight 11.30 *Financial Times* Business Weekly 12.00 Sky World News Tonight 12.30am Target 1.30 *Financial Times* Business Weekly 2.30 Those Were The Days 6.30 Holiday Destinations 4.30 Health Circuit

SKY MOVIES+
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
5.00am Showcase, incl 7.40 Entertainment Tonight
8.00 Ghostbusters 2 (1989): The team trails a ghostly slime beneath the streets of New York. Starring Dan Aykroyd and Bill Murray
10.00 Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure (1989): Two Californian teenagers travel back through-time
12.00 Farewell to the King (1988): Army deserter Nick Nolte becomes king to a Borneo tribe
2.00pm Circle of Violence (1985): A woman is physically violent towards her elderly mother. Starring Tuesday Weld
4.00 Attack on the Iron Coast (1968): Second world war drama about a mission to disable a German naval base in occupied France. Starring Lloyd Bridges
6.00 Eliminators (1986): An unlikely team of heroes battles against a power-mad genius
7.40 Projector
8.00 Whitney Houston in Concert: Live from La Coruna in Spain
10.00 Johnny Handsome (1989): A disfigured bank robber (Mickey Rourke) has plastic surgery and seeks revenge on his double-crossing partners
11.35 Breaking Point (1989): An army major (Corbin Bernsen) is brainwashed by the Nazis
1.10am Re-Animator (1985): A medical student brings corpses back to life
2.35 Skin Deep (1988): John Ritter stars as an alcoholic and a womaniser
4.15 83 Hours 'Til Dawn (1990): True-life story of an heiress, kidnapped and buried in a custom-built coffin. Ends at 5.55

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.15am *Three Hats for Lisa (1965): Musical* in which singer Joe Brown helps an Italian film star to steal hats for her collection
8.15 Ransom (1975): Sean Connery heads the rescue attempt of a British ambassador kidnapped by terrorists
10.15 Players (1979): A tennis player (Dean Paul Martin) has an affair with an older woman
12.15pm My Friend Irma (1949): Comedy, starring Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis
2.15 My Friend Irma Goes West (1950): Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis and Irma (Marie Wilson) are Hollywood-bound
4.15 Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (1989): The daredevil archaeologist (Harrison Ford) sets out to rescue his father (Sean Connery) from the Nazis
6.25 The Wolves of Willoughby Chase (1989): Dickensian story about an evil governess (Stephanie Beacham) and her two young charges
8.15 White Water Summer (1987): Kevin Bacon takes a group of children on a wilderness expedition
10.05 Tales from the Crypt (1989): Three eerie tales from top Hollywood directors
11.30 Talk Radio (1988): Oliver Stone's adaptation of Eric Bogosian's one-man play about a radio talk-show host
1.20am Ghost Town (1988): A modern-day sheriff decides to rid a ghost town of its ancient curse
2.45 LA Bounty (1989): Bounty hunter Sybil Danning sets out to rescue a political candidate kidnapped by drug baron Wings Hauser. Ends at 4.10

THE COMEDY CHANNEL
● Via the Astra satellite.
4.00pm Film: Arsenic and Old Lace (1942, b/w) 6.00 Car 54, Where Are You? 6.30 The Monkees 7.00 In Living Color 7.30 The Goodies 8.00 Carry On Laughing 8.30 The Comedy Company 9.30 The Sunday Comics 10.30 Moonlighting

SKY SPORTS
● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.30am Aerobics 7.00 Fishing the West 7.30 Australian Rules Football 9.30 Sydney Indoor Tennis 11.30 WWF Primetime Wrestling 1.00pm International Duathlon 2.30 Italian League Football 5.00 Sydney Indoor Tennis 8.00 British Rugby League 6.00 Scottish League Football 10.00 Italian League Football 12.00 British Rugby League 2.00am Sydney Indoor Tennis

EUROSPORT
● Via the Astra satellite.
9.00am Trans World Sport 10.00 Jetskiing 10.30 Equestrian 11.30 Gol 12.00 Boxing 1.00pm Weightlifting World Championships; Tennis: Toulouse Open; Women's Tennis; Wrestling; Women's Volleyball; Cycling; Canada Grand Prix; Car Racing WSCC Mexico 12.00 Boxing

SCREENSPORT
● Via the Astra satellite.
8.00am Volvo PGA European Golf Tour 9.00 Equestrian 9.30 American College Football 11.45 Inside Track 12.45pm Rugby World Cup: Wales v Western Samoa (NB: The following programmes may be subject to alteration) 2.45 Rugby World Cup: Ireland v Zimbabwe 4.40 British Touring Car Championships 5.10 Revs 5.40 Porsche Carrera Cup 6.10 European Golf 8.00 FIA World Rally Championships 9.00 Gillette World Sport Special 9.30 Rugby World Cup Highlights 10.30 Indy Car

LIFESTYLE
● Via the Astra satellite.
12.00 Annie Oakley 12.30pm The *Smothers* Brothers 1.00 White Shadow 1.55 Powerhits USA 2.50 Spain International Cuisine 3.05 Roller Derby 4.00 American Gameshows 5.30 Sally Jessy Raphael Interview 6.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 8.00 Close 10.00 Satellite Jukebox

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather
7.00 Morning Concert: Torelli (Sonata a cinque No 3); Satie (Ballet, Relâche) **7.30** News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Rossini (String Sonata No 6 in D); Schubert (Impromptu in E flat, D 946 No 2); Castelnuovo-Tedesco (Guitar Concerto No 1 in D) **8.30** News
8.35 The Compleat Capellmeister: Second of three programmes. Schütz (Erbarm dich: Ricercar Consort, with Henri Ledroit, counter-tenor); Buxtehude (Sonata in C: Musica Antiqua Köln); Bruhns (Ich liege und Schlafe: Soloists; Ricercar Consort); Georg Böhm (Prelude, fugue and postlude in G minor: Graham Barber, organ)
9.15 Melos Ensemble performs Françaix (Divertissement); Delage (Quatre Poèmes Hindous); Mendelssohn (Octet in E flat, Op 20)
10.15 Music Weekly
11.00 A Dutch Retrospect: First of 12 recordings from the Royal Concertgebouw and Rotterdam Philharmonic's 1990/91 seasons. *Royal* Concertgebouw, Amsterdam, under Chailly, with Arleen Auger, soprano, performs Wagner (Overture and Bacchanale, Tannhäuser); Diepenbrock (Hymne an die Nacht); Brahms (Symphony No 4)
12.30pm Japan Season: East and West Winds. trad (Kumoi Jishi: Kohachiro Miyata, shakuhachi); Ryohei Hirose (Lamentation: Amsterdam Loeki Stardust Quartet)
12.45 Japan Season: Table Talk in Japan
● CHOICE: Hearing Alan Brown's kitchen-table chat with a Japanese housewife, some listeners will wonder whether the minutiae has been arrived at too early in Radio 3's four-week Japan season. The answer to that one is no. Unless, that is, you already happen to know that for the Japanese, rice is as important culturally as gastronomically: that when it is cooked, it stands up to show how happy it is; that, according to the Shinto religion, the spirit of the rice plant is a very powerful deity; and that you will not find any non-Japanese rice in a Japanese shop
1.00 News
1.05 Your Concert Choice, with Paul Guinery. McPhee (Toccata, Tabuh-Tabuhan: Eastman Rochester Orchestra under Hanson); Mozart (Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, K 280: RIAS Chamber Choir, Berlin RSO under Marcus Creed); C.P.E. Bach (Solfegietto in C minor: Lyn Garland, piano); Benjamin (A Mind of Winter: London Sinfonietta under the composer, with Penelope Walmsley-Clark, soprano); Britten (Cello Sonata, Op 65: Mstislav Rostropovich); Arriaga (Symphony in D: ECO under López-Cobos)
2.30 Olaf Bär, baritone, Geoffrey Parsons, piano, perform Schubert (Romanze, D 114; Totenopfer; Seufzer; Erinnerungen; An den Mond, D 193; Frühlingslied, D 398; Adelaide; Andenken; Rastlose Liebe; Nähe des Geliebten; Der Fischer; Three Songs of the Harper; Ganymed); Wolf (Excerpts: Goethe Lieder; Eichendorff Lieder)
4.10 Poet of the Month: Ken Smith talks to Clive Wilmer
4.30 Mozart: ECO under Murray Perahia, piano, performs Piano Concerto No 19 in F, K 459
5.00 Japan Season: They Went to Rome. The background to Europe's first recorded meeting with the Japanese in the 1580s, when four Japanese boy princes visited Spain, Portugal and Italy
6.00 Japan Season: In Honour of the Great Prince. A festival of *gagaku* — traditional ceremonial music — from the Shiten'noji temple in Osaka
6.45 Elgar: BBC Welsh SO under Andrew Davis performs Falstaff, Op 68 (r)
7.30 Japan Season: The Cliff of Time, by Kobo Abbe. A boxer fights against the clock. **8.00** A Corpse with Feet. A black comedy by Minoru Betsuyaku
8.40 Beethoven (Sonata in D, Op 102 No 2: Mstislav Rostropovich, cello, Sviatoslav Richter, piano)
9.00 Dvořák's Stabat Mater: BBC Welsh Chorus under Jiří Bělohlávek
10.30 Japan Season: The Japanese Envoys. The first of four programmes following the European travels of four Japanese legates
12.00 News **12.05am** Close

RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Prelude **6.30** News; Morning Has Broken, incl Bells on Sunday (s) **6.55** Weather
7.00 News **7.10** Sunday Papers **7.15** On Your Farm: Anthony Rosen breakfasts with Sir Dennis Landau, chief executive of the Co-operative Wholesale Society **7.40** Sunday, incl **7.55** Weather **8.00** News **8.10** Sunday Papers
8.50 Nick Ross speaks for the *Week's Good Cause* on behalf of the Greater London Association of Disabled People **8.55** Weather
9.00 News **9.10** Sunday Papers
9.15 Letter from America (r)
9.30 Morning Service from St Hilary's Church, Wallasey
10.15 The Archers: Omnibus edition
11.15 News Stand, with Martin Wainwright
11.30 Pick of the Week (s) (r)
12.15 Desert Island Discs: Sue Lawley's castaway is the cricketer Imran Khan (s) **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World This Weekend **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time: Members of the Dunkeld and Birnam Horticultural Society put their questions to the experts
2.30 Sunday Playhouse: Lea and Renata, by Jane Beeson. Renata (Anna Massey) walks out on her family, leaving her family, particularly Lea (Elizabeth Mansfield), in a state of shock
4.00 News; Analysis: The Bear Unchained. Kevin Ruane examines post-communist Russia (r)
4.47 Time for Verse: The first of 11 programmes from the Galway Festival (s)
5.00 News; Down Your Way: Ludovic Kennedy travels by train on the West Highland Line on his way to Skye
5.40 Tales of a Dragon Watcher: Roger Worsley explains the connection between dragons and snails (r) **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 News
6.15 The Village (r)
6.30 Murder Most Foul: The New Year Nightmare. Nick Ross narrates the last of six murder cases (a) (r)
7.00 In Business: Seconds Out. Peter Day reports on the accelerated pace of product development (s) (r)
7.30 Bookshelf (r)
8.00 A Hack in the Borders: Dylan Winter journeys on foot and horseback down the English-Welsh border (2 of 6) (a) (r)
8.30 Enterprise '91
● CHOICE: The latest programme in which contenders explain why they think their businesses are worthy of this year's *Radio Times*/Radio 4 cash awards, clears the stage for a Surrey-based firm that fits sensors into road surfaces to help with traffic control, and a Wales-based couple who make Caerphilly cheese. The commendable long-term aim of Traffic 2000 is to restore cities to humans, and the equally commendable aim of Thelma and Gwynfor Evans is to restore cheese-making to the farmhouse, though their coffee-cheese and curry-cheese will probably satisfy less traditional taste-buds
9.00 The Natural History Programme (r)
9.30 Special Assignment (r) **9.59** Weather **10.00** News
10.15 Dirty Years of Satire: Richard Ingrams, Peter Cook, Dudley Moore, John Wells, Ian Hislop, Auberon Waugh, Willie Rushton, Desmond Wilcox, Derek Jameson and others celebrate 30 years of *Private Eye* magazine
11.00 A Perspective for Living: Anna Haycroft, alias writer Alice Thomas Ellis, tells Bel Mooney how she was affected by the death of her son, Joshua (s) (r)
11.30 Seeds of Faith: The Place Where Cuckoos Sing. The Rt Rev Peter Firth presents the first of four reflections on the poetry of R.S. Thomas (s)
11.45 Before the Ending of the Day: The late evening Office of Compline (s) (r)
12.00 News, incl **12.20am** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast **12.43** World Service (LW only)

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RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Paul McKenna (FM only until 6.00am) 7.00 The Bruno and Liz Breakfast Show 9.30 Dave Lee Travis 12.30pm Pick of the Pops. Top 20 charts of 1960, 1971 and 1982 2.30 Philip Schofield 4.30 The Complete UK Top 40 7.00 Anne Nightingale's Request Show 9.00 Andy Kershaw 11.00 John Peel (FM only after 12.00) 2.00am Neale James (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo 4.00am David Allan. The Early Show 6.00 Graham Knight 7.30 Don Maclean says Good Morning Sunday 9.05 Richard Baker with Melodies for You 11.00 Desmond Carrington Radio 2 All-Time Greats 2.00pm Benny Green 3.00 Alan Dell with *Sounds Easy* 4.00 *They Called Me Al*: Roy Hudd celebrates Al Bowly (2 of 6) 4.30 Sing Something Simple (r) 5.00 Charlie Chester 7.00 Black Magic Stanley Black with his Strings and Sextet 7.45 The National Brass Band Championships of Great Britain 8.30 Sunday Half Hour 9.00 Alan Keith 10.00 The Radio 2 Arts Programme 12.05am Stars of the 1960s (r) 1.00 John Terrett with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A A Little Night Music

RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until 2.00pm. 6.00am World Service 7.30 Sunday Edition 8.00 Johnnie Walker with The Family Business 10.30 Education Matters (r) 11.00 Business on the Move: Blackpool's tourist industry 11.30 The Day before Yesterday (r) 12.05pm Open University: Open Forum 12.25 The Noble Game of Rugby 12.45 Sunday Sport Extra, with John Inverdale. Football: Barclays League — Manchester Utd v Liverpool; Rugby World Cup: Wales v Western Samoa, Ireland v Zimbabwe 6.00 Trainers: First of a six-part series on coaching sport 5.30 Black Museum: The Bedsheet 6.00 Sport; Talking Poetry. Poetry on the theme of wild animals 6.30 Great Expectations, by Charles Dickens (1 of 12) 7.00 Sports Bulletin 7.15 Euromix (r) 8.00 When in Spain: Spanish for beginners 8.30 France Extra! Improve your French 9.00 Deutsch Direkt! German for beginners 9.30 Dragnet The Big Wish 10.00 Sport 10.10 Across the Line, incl at 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10am Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. 5.30am World Business Review 5.40 Travel and Weather News 5.45 News and Press Review in German 6.00 German Features 6.24 News in German 6.30 Europe The Weekend 7.00 Newsdesk 7.30 Londres Matin 8.00 News 8.09 24 Hours 8.30 From Our Own Correspondent 8.50 Write On . 9.00 News 9.09 Words of Faith 9.15 Music With Matthew 10.00 News 10.05 World Business Review 10.15 Seeing Stars 10.30 B-Side Beat 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.01 Science in Action 11.30 In Praise of God 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30pm Londres Midi 12.45 Mittagsmagazin 1.00 Play of the Week: *Mrs Klein* 2.00 Newshour 3.01 A European Harmony 3.30 Anything Goes 4.00 News 4.15 Concert Hall 4.45 Sportsworld 5.00 News 5.05 News About Britain 5.15 BBC English 5.30 News in German 5.40 German Features 9.00 News and Business Review 5.15 Club 648 6.30 Londres Soir 7.14 BBC English 7.30 News in German 7.40 German Features 8.54 News in German 9.00 News and Business Review 9.15 Londres Dernière 9.30 Europe Tonight 10.00 Newshour 11.00 News 11.05 Folk in Britain 11.20 Meridian 11.50 Sports Roundup 12.00 News 12.05am World Business Review 12.15 Letter From America 12.30 A European Harmony. 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 In Praise of God 2.01 Opera of the Week: Idomeneo 2.45 English Songsmiths 3.00 Newsdesk 3.30 Composer of the Month: Ravel 4.00 News 4.09 News About Britain 4.15 Sports Roundup 4.30 Anything Goes 5.00 Newsdesk

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Officers to be disciplined for IRA breakout

A SENIOR civil servant and four prisoo officers are to face disciplinary actioo over the Brixtoo jail escape, the Home Office said yesterday. A report into the July breakout by two IRA suspects also found grounds for disciplioary actioo against Reg Withers, prisoo governor at the time, hut oo actióo can be taken because be retired oo Thursday.

A disciplinary charge bas beeo laid against Brian Bubbear, who was then head of the divisioo responsible for prison security. Mr Bubbear, who was on sick leave when Nessan Quinlivan and Pearse McAuley escaped, is on special leave. He is to take up a post io one of the finance divisions.

An investigatioo by an outside governor is to be carried out into the roles of the four officers who were oo duty at the time of the escape, but have not been named.

The report by Ralph Shuffrey, a former prison department official, and John Richardson, former governor of Walton jail, comes after an enquiry set up in August by Kenneth Baker, the home secretary. He said it would "point the finger and lay the blame if necessary" for lapses in security which contributed to the break-out.

Quinlivan and McCauley are still oo the run after using a guo smuggled into the prison and hiddeo in a shoe to break free after a chapel service oo July 7. After the escape, it was disclosed that the authorities had been warned of the escape plot five mooths earlier.

Mr Baker said he had considered resigning but decided he could oot be held responsible for the operational failures. The Prisoo Governors' Associatioo criticised the Shuffrey report for including the fact that there had been grouods for disciplinary action against Mr Withers.

Chris Scott, vice-chairman of the association, said: "We are sad that the department chose to indicate that if Mr Withers had still been in their employment they would have laid as yet still unspecified charges against him. That does oot seem the action that a caring employer should take against a man with a long and distinguished career." Mr Withers was removed as governor after the escape.

Eddie O'Gorman, of the Brixton Prisoo Officers' Association, said: "When Kenneth Baker has to stand up in Parliament and give excuses he oeeds to have someooe to lay the blame on." He said be did not know if the officers were association members, but if they were, they would be defended to the bilt.

Criticisms in the report, delivered to the Home Office a week ago, were said to range from identifying mistakes by individual officers to flawed management systems at the top of the prison department.

Serbian climbdown

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pires oo Monday. Dr Tudjman said bis republic would "go forward with the implementatioo" of independence right away. He promised a national currency and customs system.

The news from the Hague and the oew call-ups came as Serbian and Mootenegrin claims to be assuming control withio the eight-man federal presidency were coodemned by the four republics that did not participate in Thursday's meeting of the country's collective leadership.

The Yugoslav president, Stipe Mesic, accused Serbia of carrying out what amouoted to a coup and said that General Kadijevic had declared war on Croatia by backing Serbia and its three allies. He was calling a new presidency meeting on the Adriatic island of Brioni to annul the act. It was unlikely that Serbia and Montenegro would attend.

Zagreb raids, page 7

Taylor-made: Liz Taylor's eighth wedding dress, according to *Women's Wear Daily* in which this sketch first appeared, is of yellow satin and embroidered lace

Tabloid army at the ready

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ing vows would be worth up to $1 million (£571,000). The official weddiog photographer, Herb Ritts, says that American and foreign bids will bring in more than that for Taylor's Aids charity.

NBC, the top American television oetwork, turned down the chance to film at the wedding for a sum believed to be close to $10 million — apparently because Taylor insisted that all advertising revenue during the broadcast be donated to Aids research. The gossip columnist, Liz Smith, an old friend of Taylor, is the only reporter officially invited and will cover the event for Fox television.

The happy couple, meanwhile, have been making final preparations. Mr Fortensky, aged 39, who met his bride-to-be at a drug-and-alcohol treatment clinic, had a stag party with dancing girls in Los Angeles. Taylor, who first married when she was 18, has been collecting gifts, apparently including some edible lingerie from Mr Fortensky's aunt.

Soviet Jews rue exodus

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again in several interviews outside the consulate.

"This country is a great disappointment to us," said Denis, aged 18, a pacifist from St Petersburg's who had hoped to study at university but now fears being drafted into the Israeli Defence Force. "Our people thought we were going to our motherland," be said. "Instead all we have encountered is aggression. Although we had anti-Semitism in Russia, the bostility we encountered bere is much worse."

His views have been confirmed by reports in the Russian-language Hebrew press about recent fights among youths of Russian origin against Ethiopians and native Israelis. The newspapers have also been running advertisements from emigration agencies offering to help Soviet Jews find new bomes in America, Canada, Western Europe and South Africa.

Political sketch

Happy as pigs in sheer ecstasy

NAPOLEON (Orwell relates), the top boar at Animal Farm, assuring visitors there was no longer anything threatening in his organisation, makes a keynote speech to his animals . . .

"He was happy, he said, that the period of misunderstanding was at an end. For a long time there had been rumours . . . that there was something subversive, even revolutionary, in the outlook of himself and his colleagues.

"He did not believe, he said, that any of the old suspicions still lingered, but certain changes had been made recently . . . hitherto the animals had had a rather foolish habit of addressing each other as 'Comrade'. This was to be suppressed".

Labour's synchronised ecstasy at Brighton this week has rivalled the Tories in its power to nauseate. I watched from the wings yesterday as the sweetly choreographed scene, its mood hovering somewhere between a Welsh rugby crowd and a Come Dancing revival, played out the final moments with Mr Kinnock conducting. The sight of Roy Hattersley, in open-mouthed horror as his comrades — colleagues — on the platform struck up a karaoke rendering of "We are the champions" by Queen, will never be forgotten. The conference platform makes an impressive sight oo TV, but from my vantage point I could see both the visible and the concealed part of the structure. I could see the white pediments, the dolmen frothing with four dozen red roses and the raked terraces of Roman-style seating for the Great Ones.

And I could see the underbelly: the poles and trailing cables; the canvas tacked on to plywood to form the apparent marble walls; the tangle of scaffolding propping the whole thing up from behind. I could see the autocue machines, too, scrolling silently forward as the Great Ones spoke. My colleague on *The Guardian* whispered: "Why do the TV cameras never show the back?"

But that would be contrary to a video cameraman's whole instinct. Some internal voice reminds him where his loyalties lie: television is theatre and his loyalty is to artifice.

Labour conferences are now theatre and oo place for reporters. As Tom Sawyer (this year's polished chairman) called each member of the shadow cabinet, one by one, to prance on to the stage for a final photocall, every critic io the house was willing him to shout "Come on down Michael Meacher!

"Neil," called Tom, "You've been a great teacher. You've been a great guy. You've been a great advocate . . ." he paused, perhaps wondering whether merely to call a bloke a great teacher, advocate and guy was enough . . .

"And you're a great leader! And you're going to be a great prime minister!" And then, lest this, too, be thought insufficient: "And Glenys, I think you're beautiful."

We wondered which of Mr Kinnock's family circle it now remains to compliment.

Then Napoleoo spoke. Unfortunately he had nothing to say. And, as Mr Major remarked (in his only really good joke last year) Mr Kinnock's problem when he has nothing to say is that he has no way of knowing when be has finished.

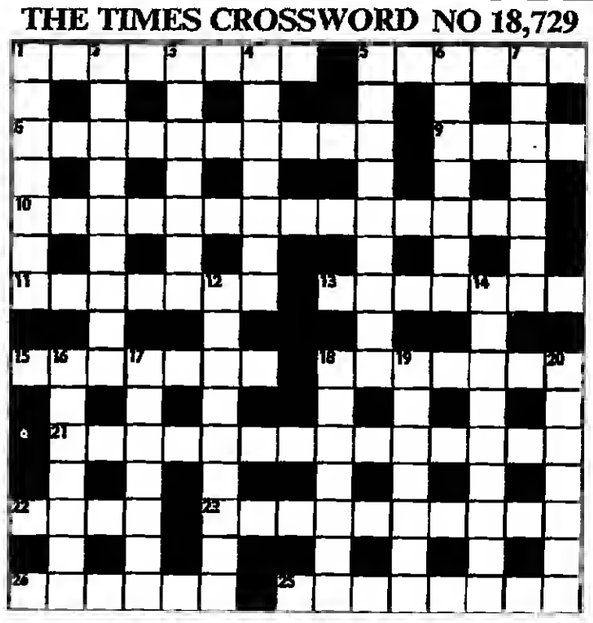
It was all about "applied patriotism". The applicatioo of patriotism in this instance was to the furtherance of Mr Kinnock's career. As he spoke, I looked at Michael Meacher and Gerald Kaufman, at Clare Short, at Tony Blair. Then they all started to sing.

"...it seemed that some strange thing was happening. No question now what had happened to the faces of the pigs. The creatures outside looked from pig to man and from man to pig, and from pig to man again; but already it was impossible to say which was which."

Clearly, Labour is ready for government.

MATTHEW PARRIS

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,729



ACROSS

1 Trial a head appears in is a case of some import (3-5).
5 Chinese system getting Maoist extremely confused (6).
8 Where power resides in dreadful regime? No, oo! (6-4).
9 HE keeps one in the shade (4).
10 The speed of inspiration brings a chance to relax (9-5).
11 Points to dreadful scene — no accident, this (7).
13 Jump on to one, taking part io game (7).
15 One may get fired from vehicle plant (7).
18 Making coffee for each ruler (7).
21 Order for actor — get inside, perhaps? (5,9).
22 One of us capturing rook with piece (4).
23 Studied in modern centre, free (10).
24 Lake is further round the bend (6).
25 Bishop gets supply in a casual way (8).

DOWN

1 Quivering sort of voice takes many in (7).
2 Assailant's explosioo of gross rage (9).
3 Lace centre has success, keeping on and on (7).
4 Tree-worship (7).
5 Indication of grave situation in US city (9).
6 Vagabond oo longer in shed (7).
7 Possible resort for Romans round end of June (3,4).
12 This fighter's no pro and not at all tough (9).
14 Come to Nigeria for a change (9).
16 European country's courts holding us (7).
17 Brideshead remained io ruins (7).
18 Not just imperfect (7).
19 Runs over one box, loaded to the maximum (7).
20 Like race of reddish-yellow colour (7).

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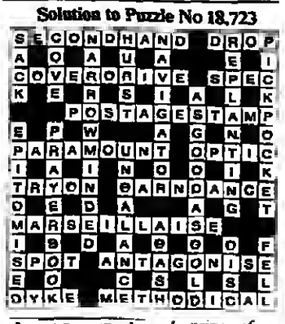

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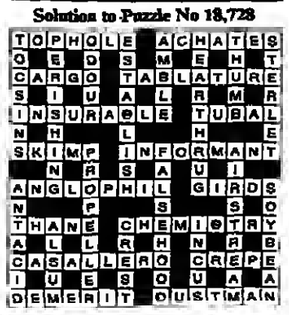

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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

McKENZIE
a. Waterproof tweed knickerbockers
b. To vomit
c. An unqualified legal helper

POMACE
a. The Ace of Diamonds
b. Crushed apples for cider
c. An abrasive cleaner stone

NARGHILE
a. A water pipe
b. The water buffalo
c. A Nilotic water lily

UNDERN
a. Nine in the morning
b. A wave across a bigger wave
c. To disrobe

Answers on page 17

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M-ways/roads M23-M4	735
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National motorways	737
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W Central Scotland	721
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N W Scotland	725
Caithness,Orkney & Shetland	726
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Concise Crossword, page 17

The winners of last Saturday's competition are: M Wellington, The Square, Middleton Hall, Wooler, Northumberland; I A S Wedderburn, Dunlichity Lodge, Farr, Inverness; L Cioli, Hartington Street, Carlisle; J Wilmore, Meadowfield, Aiskew, Bedale, N Yorks; E Constable, Westbury Road, Edington, Westbury, Wilts.

WEATHER

Scotland, Northern Ireland, northwest England and north Wales will be bright and sunny but there might be some heavy showers. A band of cloud and rain stretching from northeast to southwest England will move south-eastwards during the day, followed by brighter, showery weather. Most parts will be windy, and it will be rather cold. Outlook: rain at times over Scotland and Northern Ireland; mostly dry elsewhere.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: b=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	25	77	s	Majorca	26	79	f
Akrotiri	26	79	f	Malaga	24	75	s
Alex'dria	26	79	f	Malta	24	75	s
Algiers	25	77	c	Melb'rne	13	55	c
Amst'dm	16	61	s	Mexico C*	18	64	f
Athens	16	61	c	Miami*	27	81	f
Bahrain	31	88	s	Milan	19	66	f
Bangkok	31	88	f	Montreal*	22	72	r
Barbados*	29	84	c	Moscow	11	52	s
Barcelona	22	72	f	Munich	18	64	s
Beirut	33	81	s	Naples	24	75	s
Belgrade	15	59	f	N Delhi	30	86	s
Berlin	18	64	f	N York*	23	73	s
Bermuda*	28	82	f	Nice	24	75	s
Biarritz	20	68	s	Oslo	12	54	s
Borde'x	21	70	s	Paris	17	63	s
Brussels	17	63	s	Peking	23	73	s
Budapest	16	61	s	Perth	18	64	r
B Aires*	12	54	r	Prague	18	64	s
Cairo	32	90	s	Reykjavik	3	37	c
Cape Tn	21	70	s	Rhodes	19	66	s
Chicago*	21	70	s	Rio de J	21	70	s
Ch'church	10	50	f	Riyadh	35	95	s
Cologne	16	61	c	Rome	25	77	s
C'phagn	15	59	s	Salzburg	20	68	s
Corfu	23	73	s	S Frisco*	20	68	s
Dublin	13	55	f	Santiago*	21	70	s
Faro	24	75	s	S Paulo*	17	63	c
Florence	24	75	s	Seoul	20	68	s
Frankfurt	18	64	s	Sing'por	32	90	f
Funchal	22	72	f	St'kholm	11	52	s
Geneva	16	61	s	Strasb'rg	18	64	s
Gibraltar	22	72	s	Sydney	22	72	c
Helsinki	12	54	f	Tangier	26	79	s
Innsbrck	19	66	s	Tel Aviv	31	88	s
Istanbul	15	59	f	Tenerife	27	81	s
Jeddah	36	97	s	Tokyo	27	81	s
Jo'burg*	26	79	s	Toronto*	19	66	s
Karachi	33	81	s	Tunis	26	79	s
L Palmas	28	82	s	Valencia	23	73	f
Le Tquet	16	61	s	Vanc'ver*	13	55	s
Lisbon	23	73	s	Venice	21	70	s
Locarno	20	68	s	Vienna	16	61	s
London	17	63	f	Warsaw	15	59	s
L Angeles*	21	70	s	Wash'ton*	25	77	s
Luxembg	17	63	f	Wel'ngton	13	55	r
Luxor	37	99	s	Zurich	16	61	s
Madrid	22	72	s				

* denotes figures are latest available

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 8am to 6pm, 15C (59F); min 6pm to 6am, 08C (43F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 6.1 hr.

ENGLAND & WALES

Thursday: Highest day temp: Heathrow airport, 19C (66F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, Highland, 10C (50F); highest rainfall: Eskdalemuir, Dumfries & Galloway, 0.93 in; highest sunshine: Morecambe, Lancashire, 10.0 hr.

UK

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	8.8	.01	15	59	sunny
Anglesey	8.5	.03	16	61	sunny
Aviemore	5.5	.17	11	52	shower
Belfast	6.5	.06	14	57	shower
Douglas	7.8	.13	14	57	shower
Edinburgh	6.0	.13	13	55	shower
Eskdalemuir	6.0	.93	12	54	shower
Jersey	0.1	-	18	64	cloudy
Kinloss	8.0	-	12	54	sunny
Newquay	5.0	.18	16	61	bright
Penzance	6.2	.13	17	63	sunny
Scilly Isles	7.4	.09	17	63	sunny
Shanklin	0.5	.03	16	61	drizzle
St. Ives	5.3	.02	15	59	bright
Stornoway	8.9	.44	11	52	hail
Tiree	6.0	.29	12	54	shower
Wick	8.3	.09	12	54	shower

Thursday's figures are latest available.

LIGHTING-UP TIME

TODAY
London 6.31 pm to 7.09 am
Bristol 6.40 pm to 7.18 am
Edinburgh 6.39 pm to 7.25 am
Manchester 6.37 pm to 7.19 am
Penzance 6.53 pm to 7.29 am

POLLEN COUNT

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 13C (55F); min 6pm to 6am, 06C (43F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.57 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 1.2 hr.

BANK RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.30	2.15
Austria Sch	21.50	20.00
Belgium Fr	62.80	58.80
Canada $	2.095	1.945
Denmark Kr	11.77	11.02
Finland Mkk	7.47	7.02
France Fr	10.33	9.68
Germany Dm	3.047	2.847
Greece Dr	335.00	315.00
Hong Kong $	14.17	13.17
Ireland Pt	1.136	1.069
Italy Lira	2265.00	2135.00
Japan Yen	244.00	228.00
Netherlands Gld	3.425	3.205
Norway Kr	11.86	11.17
Portugal Esc	261.00	243.00
South Africa Rd	5.30	4.70
Spain Pta	191.25	178.25
Sweden Kr	11.15	10.40
Switzerland Fr	2.65	2.48
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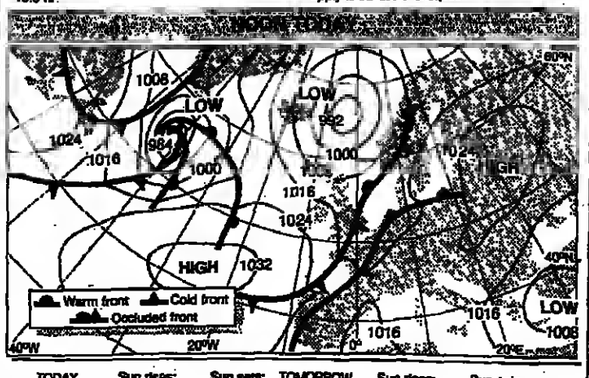

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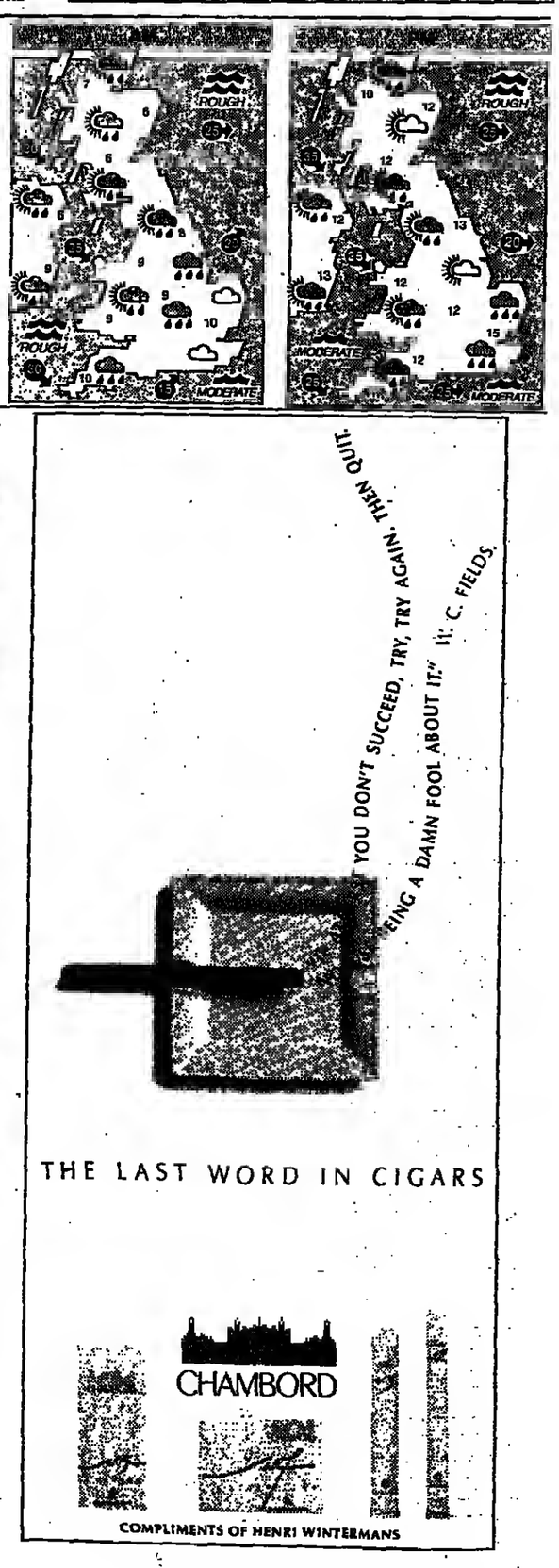

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WEEKEND MONEY

Guinness trial
Guinness was the target of a campaign of sabotage during its battle to take over Distillers, Southwark Crown Court has been told. Olivier Roux, former finance director at Guinness, said the company got its supporters to buy shares to stabilise their market value after attempts by Argyll, a rival bidder, to undermine their price. He was speaking at the trial of Roger Seelig and Lord Spens, former merchant bankers, who are accused of taking part in an alleged share support operation.....Page 23

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WEEK ENDING
Matthew Bond

Arnie's phoney war

Senior executives at GEC are already arguing over what they should call the new Rover they hope to unveil at the 1993 Motor Show. Top of the shortlist, apparently, is the Metsun Cherry. GEC's marketing gurus believe it has a certain ring to it.

But then the main events (or perhaps non-events) of the week had a certain ring to them. It is, after all, less than two years since GEC spent 11 anxious days looking down the barrel of a Smith & Metsun brandished by Sir John Cuckney, then the outgoing chairman of Westland. The sigh of corporate relief that went up after Sir John was finally forced to admit that somewhere along the line he had mislaid his ammunition was big enough to be picked up by Marconi.

Despite living to fight another day, the experience clearly left its mark on Lord Weinstock, the man whose immoveability as GEC's managing director is matched only by that of the GEC share price. Arnie withdrew to his cash-

mountain top retreat and mused on the lessons to be learned.

The period of contemplation was clearly a success, but the manner in which Sir John's strategy would appear to be being revisited by Lord Weinstock, however, has raised more than a few eyebrows. For just as John Wakeham decided that the news that there would be no November general election hardly merited a full press conference, so the £3 billion worth of predatory ambition that GEC apparently harbours towards British Aerospace was trickled, none too gently, into the market. But if there is one thing that the Stock Exchange does not like it is things that trickle into the market.

A request for clarification met with only partial success. Sir Graham Day at British Aerospace, perhaps mindful of the number of enemies that BAe's £432 million rights issue had already won the company, was eager to set the regulatory mind at rest. BAe was not talking to anyone, he said compliantly. Lord Weinstock, who does not have a rights issue requiring shareholder approval on Monday, said nothing. Blanks or bullets? Only time will tell.

Shareholders due to attend BAe's extraordinary meeting on Monday will doubtless be giving the rights issue document close scrutiny this weekend, particularly if they have the double misfortune of owning shares in Mountleigh, the accident prone property group. For at Mountleigh's annual meeting this week, a number of shareholders were seen searching their rights issue document in vain for the clause that said that less than six weeks after the £96 million rights issue had been completed it was the intention of the company's chairman, chief executive and managing directors to resign.

With Sir Roland Smith already gone, BAe's remaining executives must be hoping the growing resemblance between the two companies stops there.

But some good will come out of the Mountleigh affair. With Nelson Peltz, Peter May and Marc Leland signalling their intention to remain on the board in a non-executive capacity, Mountleigh's board now boasts no less than eight non-executive directors out of a total of 13. Corporate governance is clearly alive and well. Isn't it good to know that there are so many people safeguarding shareholders' interests?

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BUSINESS PROFILE: **David James**

Sickly child to company doctor

Despite being 'just about' a millionaire, the saviour of several firms still feels insecure, **Carol Leonard** discovers

David James, the doyen of company doctors, the Red Adair of the corporate world, has no professional qualifications, charges £1,000 a day for his services and his 70 or so patients so far, have all survived.

Despite his extraordinary track record, the past six weeks have, he says, been the most emotionally trying of his career. In eight days, he has completed his refinancing plans for Davies & Newman, the Dan-Air airline group, with a £53 million convertible preference share placing; posted letters to Eagle Trust shareholders explaining that a similar financial reconstruction has been agreed for them; and received confirmation that his nomination papers, as one of ten candidates for two vacant seats on the Lloyd's of London council, have been accepted.

As soon as one patient nears recovery (Dan-Air), Mr James likes to have another already under strict medical supervision (Eagle Trust) and to have his eyes on a third, still sickly corporate structure (Lloyd's).

Davies & Newman lost £38 million last year. Mr James became chairman and chief executive in November. The company is forecast to lose £35 million this year, after haemorrhaging almost £1 million a day during the Gulf war, but Mr James, aged 55, is now projecting a profit of £19 million by the end of 1992. He has also saved an estimated 8,500 jobs in the process.

Eagle Trust collapsed in 1989 with £74 million missing. One of its subsidiaries was then found to be involved in the Iraqi supergun affair. Mr James became chairman and chief executive in September that year. The company now has writs outstanding against Swiss Bank Corporation, owner of Savory Milln, Eagle's former stockbroker, for £13.5 million, and against Peat Marwick, the accountant, for about £50 million. Mr James says: "I will stay on with Davies & Newman at least until the AGM next year, in May or June."

Eagle Trust, where Lloyds Bank, Standard Chartered and National Westminster have just agreed to a debt-for-equity refinancing package of up to £20 million, will take a little longer. "I will remain involved with Eagle Trust for a number of years, because of the very long legal programme, but my workload and fee income have already been substantially reduced and will continue to reduce."

As for Lloyd's, Mr James has been a name for eight years, is currently writing up to £850,000 of business a year and wants a seat on the council "because I am dissatisfied with much about Lloyd's but I don't like quitting". He expresses concern about the continued existence of loopholes that might still permit criminal activity, and the "dreadful PR", which has, he says, "made Lloyd's names look ridiculous in the eyes of the public — you would think we were all now living in cardboard boxes in the Strand".

Far from living in a cardboard box, Mr James spends at least one night a week with his mother, Alsina, aged 79, at her home in Lee, south London, and the rest of the time commutes from his penthouse flat in Hove, East Sussex. He has never married although he was once engaged and has "come close" on two other occasions. He says: "I have a long-standing lady friend, but I don't think either she or I would regard each other as exclusive. The old problems of my life still make an enduring relationship almost impossible — from time to time I will go off the air for four or six weeks while I get totally committed to a job."

> 'He can be very single minded, to the exclusion of everything else, and I think that is perhaps why he is still a bachelor'

Mr James insists he is not lonely, that he has other interests, such as opera twice a week — he is a Wagner fan; cricket — "when I retire I would love to spend the winters following the England team"; and racing — "I have my diary booked out for Ascot and Goodwood. I love the horses and the science of the form book." Even they are dropped, however, if his work demands.

Tony Garrett, a chartered secretary, who has worked with Mr James on several projects and is cited by Mr James as his best friend, much to Mr Garrett's surprise, admits that he finds this single-minded commitment to work difficult to cope with.

Mr Garrett says: "He can be very single minded, to the exclusion of everything else, and I think that is perhaps why he is still a bachelor. I have a great deal of admiration for David but it is mixed with sympathy because although he has been so successful in one area of his life, he has missed so much. He has no domesticity."

Although Mr James averts his eyes when he recalls his broken engagement — "Of course I cared, I cared a hell of a lot" — and admits that if he had his time over again, there are some things he would do differently, he does not seek sympathy. He is happy with his lot. As an only child, he has, after all, never known anything else. He enjoys socialising, relishes public speaking, is warm, kind and good humoured, but he is, at heart, a loner.

Even at school in Blackheath, southeast London, the only sports he won medals in were long jump and high jump. "Things I did on my own, that were not done with others, I could regularly win." He has never been a team player. He cannot even recall having any childhood friends. Afflicted by chronic asthma in his early years, later diagnosed as an allergy to cat fur, Mr James only learned to read when he was ten and was, by then, already labelled the schoolroom idiot and mercilessly teased. "I was a puny little thing, stuck in the back row, with my eyes streaming, and I hated it."

He sought refuge in religion, set his heart on a career in the church, and gained a Church of England place at Oxford. At 18, a crisis of conscience forced him to admit that he was no longer a believer. He says: "I'm now an anti-cleric, anti institutionalised religion because I believe it represents a limitation of the human spirit." He was morally obliged to decline the Oxford course. One of his biggest regrets is that he did not go to university. He says it has left him with a feeling of inferiority, of "always coming from behind". Each time he completes the rescue of a company, and despite a steady stream of offers, he feels as if he will never be offered anything else. His deep-seated financial insecurity bubbles to the surface.

That insecurity stems from his childhood, from war-time memories of evacuation, of returning to Blackheath with no furniture because the depository had been burned — "We slept on camp beds under newspapers" — and of his mother having less than a pound in her pocket to last until pay day. His father, an awesome figure who had begun life as a kitchen boy at a night club and became catering director of Watney, was unemployed for six months after the war.

Even though he admits to being "just about" a millionaire, Mr James claims he is "not yet rich", and is painfully careful with his money. "I computerise my own personal budget, as detailed as for any of my companies. I don't regard myself as secure. I obsessively put money into my pension scheme so that I have some insurance for the future." He even says that one of the reasons he never married was because he never felt he had sufficient money to take care of a mortgage and school fees. When he could afford it — by his mid-forties — he was, he says, too old.

Surprisingly, however, Mr James is not motivated by money alone. He has missed out on a fortune by refusing, on a point of principle, to take equity stakes in the companies he salvages.

So what is it that still drives him? "I have an eternal need to test myself. It is part of my attempt to get out of that back row of the classroom." He now wants to tackle something "of national consequence", and suggests either The Royal Opera or the racing industry. He admits that his ambitions, hand in hand with his fragile confidence, have grown over the years and that he now wants to leave his mark. Mr James realises, however, that in so doing, his unbeaten track record is exposed. "Yes, there is a degree of Russian roulette," he says. "You can draw an analogy with the high jump I used to do at school — ultimately the winner will fail. You always hit the bar in the end."

STEPHEN MARKESON

Musically minded: David James with a bust of Sir Thomas Beecham at the Royal Opera House

Giving credit for a good education

By LINDSAY COOK
MONEY EDITOR

WHAT is the difference between a student with an overdraft and a graduate with an overdraft? The answer is creditworthiness. Thousands of graduates are being wooed by the Bank of Scotland and offered college or university credit cards to help fund activities at their Alma Mater. Students are excluded from the scheme.

"Alumni" cards were launched by the Bank of Scotland a year ago and are now gaining in popularity, with 36 educational institutions having signed up. They range from Bolton Institute of Higher Education to Strathclyde University. Aberdeen University cards were the first to be issued and this week Edinburgh University graduates were invited to apply.

In coming months, graduates of the London School of Economics, Brunel University and former pupils of King's School, Canterbury, will be among those mailed.

The affinity cards work like all others in that the organisation benefiting signs up with a bank and supplies it with a list of members — in this case, former students.

When applications are accepted, the bank pays the college an agreed sum, and each time the cardholder uses the card a small amount is paid to the college. Typically, affinity cards pay £5 for each new customer and 25p per £100 spent. With the alumni cards, different rates have been negotiated. Unlike the bank's Classic Visa card, there is no annual fee. The interest rate is slightly higher, though, at 28.8 per cent APR compared with 28.4 per cent for the Classic Visa card.

The bank said alumni applicants were assessed under the normal credit-scoring procedure, although some factors were regarded as positive that might not be for a standard card. The bank expected new graduates to have moved recently and not to have much service with their employers. Usually, card applicants would score less favourably if they seemed transitory.

This would explain how one graduate turned down by a larger bank for a standard credit card was readily accepted as a customer by Bank of Scotland for a university credit card.

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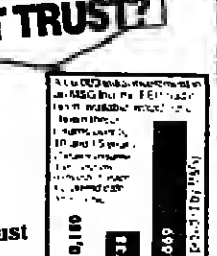

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SEC quizzes Goldman over role in auction

From Philip Robinson in New York

THE Securities and Exchange Commission is seeking details from Goldman Sachs, the Wall Street investment bank, of its role in bidding for large amounts of a $12 billion US government Treasury auction in August.

Goldman, among the most powerful of America's investment banks, replaced the scandal-hit Salomon Brothers as lead manager for the American portion of the British Telecom sale.

Before its appointment, Goldman and two other banks involved in the BT issue were required to give written assurance to John Major, the prime minister, that they had not engaged in any activity that might affect their participation in the sale.

The SEC has served Goldman with a subpoena for details of its role in the auction of ten-year Treasury notes which took place on August 7 and in which Goldman and its customers, which included the Quantum Fund, the investment firm, bought more than half the total bonds on offer.

Officials in New York and Washington stress that this does not imply any wrongdoing by Goldman or its customers.

As one of the 39 primary dealers in the Treasury market, Goldman was routinely questioned in the first round of subpoenas that went out last month as part of the four government agency investigation into the August revelations from Salomon Brothers that it had violated the Treasury bidding rules.

Salomon dismissed two senior dealers and forced the resignations of four top executives after admitting that it had acted illegally in Treasury auctions and captured more than the 35 per cent auction limit for any one buyer.

In a report to Congress, Salomon said that among its eight unauthorised bids, one was made on behalf of SG Warburg, the British investment bank, and another on behalf of the Quantum Fund, one of its largest customers.

A second round of subpoenas went to Salomon customers, but Wall Street sources say the latest focuses sharply on Goldman and its customers.

A spokesman for the SEC refused to comment on the investigation yesterday and Goldman did not return telephone calls.

A spokesman for the bank has, however, said that it is policy that it does not discuss enquiries that it may or may not have received. A spokesman for Quantum could not be contacted.

Orlov plans meeting with Walker

COUNT Alexei Orlov, who heads an action committee of ordinary shareholders in Brent Walker, said yesterday that he planned to meet George Walker, the company's founder and ousted chairman, over the weekeod (Matthew Bond writes).

At last week's annual meeting Count Orlov was highly critical of Mr Walker's role in Brent Walker's decline. However, since then relations are understood to have improved. The meeting tomorrow will concentrate on what Count Orlov believes are indications from Lonrho that it might be prepared to raise the hid terms currently contained within an informal set of proposals to restructure Brent Walker debt.

Leigh Pemberton: authorities do not know best

EC plea by Governor

By Colin Narbrough, Economics Correspondent

ROBIN Leigh Pemberton, the Governor of the Bank of England, called on the European Community to establish rules for the securities industry based on liberal, free-market principles.

Speaking at a Confederation of British Industry conference in London, he said: "The guiding principle ... has to be to avoid unnecessary restrictions and regulations."

Mr Leigh Pemberton said a well designed, enabling directive could help to bring about a more open and competitive European market.

He questioned the authorities' ability to determine what would best work in practice, or what structures would help, rather than hinder, creation of prosperity.

Fimbra's future under scrutiny

By Lindsay Cook, Money Editor

THE Securities and Investments Board (SIB) has launched a feasibility study to consider the future of the Financial Intermediaries, Managers and Brokers Regulatory Association (Fimbra). On October 15, Sir Kenneth Clucas will begin to consider whether Fimbra should be replaced by a new self-regulatory organisation.

Sir Kenneth, an independent member of the Fimbra council since 1986, has been asked to report by early next year. Representations are invited from consumers, brokers and the investment industry. The SIB said no timetable had been set for any changes that might result from the study.

Fimbra has led a trouhled existence since its formation under the Financial Services Act. The investors' compensation scheme has paid out more to the clients of Fimbra members than to those of firms covered by any other regulator. Vetting standards have been questioned after brokers have been found guilty of frauds that have been missed on the regular Fimbra compliance visits.

The cost of protecting the elients of its authorised members has proved too much for Fimbra. Twice, insurance companies have been called upon to rescue the association.

The SIB is particularly concerned that whoever regulates independent brokers should have "sufficient responsibility for, and commitment to, the development and implementation of regulation".

Godfrey Gillings, chief executive of Fimbra, welcomed the review, saying the association had called for a look at retail regulation in February. "It is not necessarily the demise of Fimbra," he said. "Its boundaries could be extended to mortgage broking. The intention is to put investors first."

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

France to appeal on De Havilland veto

FRANCE will appeal against the European Commission's veto of the purchase by Aerospatiale and Alenia of Boeing's De Havilland subsidiary, according to Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister. France intended to lodge its objections at a meeting today of European Community foreign ministers.

M Dumas said there would have been no distortion of European competition if the purchase had been allowed and that it would have strengthened European industry in the face of world competition. Foreign ministers of EC member-states are scheduled to meet today in Utrecht in The Netherlands.

Microfilm lifts payout

MICROFILM Reprographics, the microfilm bureau, is raising the total dividend from 3p to 3.6p for the year to end-June, with a final payment of 2.4p, following an advance in full-year profits from £7.59 million to £8.19 million. Turnover rose from £33.6 million to £34.4 million, and earnings per share from 9.4p to 10.4p.

Property firm net assets fall

ESTATES & Agency Holdings, the property investment company, made pre-tax profits of £1.08 million in the 18 months to end-June (£508,000 in the previous 12). Net asset value per share fell to 430p (710p). Earnings amounted to 14.24p (7.47p) and there is a final dividend of 4p, making a total of 7.5p (6.25p).

Creston passes final

CRESTON, the building products and investment company, has passed its final dividend in the year to end-June after exceptional losses and depressed conditions in the building industry pushed the group further into the red. It passed at the interim stage too, but paid a 0.3p final last time. Pre-tax losses deepened from £459,000 to £554,000 as turnover declined from £15.8 million to £14.3 million.

The group's Aluminium and Timber Securities subsidiary incurred a trading loss of £691,000. This includes a £487,000 exceptional charge, relating to provisions for bad debts and redundancy and reorganisation costs.

Percy Bilton edges ahead

PERCY Bilton, the property and construction group, made pre-tax profits of £8.33 million (£7.83 million) for the six months to end-June. An interim dividend of 5.67p (5.4p) a share is being paid. There was a satisfactory contribution from the civil engineering division, but weak trading conditions affected other divisions.

DC Gardner passes payout

SHARES in DC Gardner Group, the financial consultancy, slid 12p to 46p after the interim dividend was passed (1.3p). Gardner had a pre-tax loss of £2.83 million in the six months to end-June (£1.05 million profit), exacerbated by an exceptional debit of £1.63 million. There is an 18.6p loss per share (3.7p earnings).

Eau Zone sold for cash

MERCHANT Retail, the food and department store group, is paying £405,000 cash for Eau Zone, a privately owned perfume retailer with six shops in southeast England. Eau Zone was launched last October and up to the end of August made a £50,000 loss, attributable to start-up costs, on turnover of £445,000.

Merchant plans to increase the number of outlets, and will pay a further £4.5 million if the retailer's aggregrate pre-tax profits exceed £2.2 million by March 1994. Martin Whitbread, one of the sellers, will continue as Eau Zone's managing director.

IRG down at half time

IRG, the Irish plastic packaging and rope manufacturer, reports a decline in pre-tax profits to Ir£763,000 (£692,000) in the six months to end-June, against Ir£1.02 million last time. Group sales elimbed from Ir£27.2 million to Ir£30.1 million. Earnings per share were 3.9p (6p), but the interim dividend is maintained at 1.75p.

New chief at Morning Post

MICHAEL Hoy, chief executive of The Times Supplements Ltd, has been appointed general manager of South China Morning Post Publishers Ltd, of Hong Kong. Mr Hoy, aged 40, was formerly managing editor of *The Times*. Miss Dorothy Cumpsty is to become commercial director of The Times Supplements Ltd.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyons.	550	79	96	111	2	14	19
(*623)	600	38	62	78	12	30	55
	650	14	37	53	39	55	60
ASDA	40	12	16	17	2	5	5½
(*49)	50	4	9	12	5½	9	19
	60	2	6	6	15	15	17
Bass	977	55	-	-	4	-	-
(*1025)	1026	19	-	-	17	-	-
	1075	4½	-	-	34	-	-
Boots	390	29	39	51	1½	8	16
(*416)	420	8	19	33	16	18	23
	460	1	7	16	46	48	50
Br Airways.	160	34	36	41	1	3	5
(*193)	180	15	21	27	2½	7	16
	200	3½	11	16½	11	18	20
BP	300	40	44	46	1	5½	5½
(*339)	330	12	21	26	4	11	14
	360	1½	7	12	24	28	30
Br Steel	120	7½	16	13½	2	5	7
(*127)	150	2½	5	8	6	16	12
	140	¾	2	4½	15½	18½	18½
C & W	500	77	88	-	1¼	5	-
(*573)	550	31	50	67	5	16	23
	600	6	24	40	52	42	47
CU	460	38	53	-	1½	6	-
(*494)	500	7½	27	35	15	21	32
	550	1¼	9	14	60	61	65
Courtauld	420	50	66	79	1½	5	8½
(*473)	460	20	36	50	5½	13	20
	500	3½	18	30	30	38	40
GKN	530	45	55	61	1	5	12
(*370)	260	19	34	40	5	15	25
	390	4	18	24	22	29	40
Grand Met.	800	55	82	93	3	17	25
(*849)	650	18	48	63	17	37	43
	900	3	26	42	55	66	72
ICI	1500	35	85	105	22	43	67
(*1313)	1350	13	59	79	52	69	92
	1400	4½	39	57	97	100	125
Kingfisher	500	53	70	85	1	6½	12
(*549)	550	14	37	52	13	25	31
	600	2	16	29	55	50	60
Ladbroke	249	15	22	29	4½	16	15
(*260)	268	3	12	19	16	21	25
	287	1	6	12	34	34	37
Land Sec	460	73	80	88	1	2½	4½
(*529)	500	34	42	50	2	8	11½
	550	3	14½	28	24	33	37
M & S	260	21	26	33	2	5	7½
(*278)	280	3	15	25	8	12	13
	300	1½	6	14	24	26	27
Sainsbury	326	34	42	-	1	4	-
(*337)	356	9	22	-	6½	13	-
	386	2	8½	-	31	32	-
Shell	460	47	58	63	1½	3½	9
(*505)	500	11	32	33	6	14	22
	550	2	19	14	50	50	50
Smkl Beech	700	32	73	92	3	13	20
(*747)	750	16	42	62	17	33	40
	800	3	22	40	60	65	67
Storehse	100	16	13	15	2	5½	7
(*108)	119	4	7	10	6	10	12
	120	1½	3	6	15	17	18
Trafalgar	211	31	36	-	1½	8	-
(*239)	231	13	21	-	4	17	-
	251	4	11	-	16	29	-
Ultramar	220	39	45	50	2	3	6
(*254)	240	19	30	35	3	10	13
	260	7	17	21	11	16	23
Unilever	650	147	-	-	1	-	-
(*798)	700	97	116	-	2	4	-
	750	50	70	85	4	12	18
	800	14	55	52	22	32	37
Utd Bisc	360	53	58	67	1	3½	6
(*412)	390	24	38	43	3½	12	16
	420	4	17	26	19	24	30
	Series	Nov	Feb	May	Nov	Feb	May
BAA	390	81	86	-	1¼	5	-
(*467)	420	50	61	74	2½	7	16
	460	22	34	48	12	20	23
BAT Ind	600	76	92	102	5	7	12
(*665)	650	32	57	69	15	20	27
	700	6	29	42	42	43	50
	750	2	14	24	92	92	90
BTR	390	32	46	50	4	8½	13
(*417)	420	13	27	33	15	21	27
	460	2	11	16	49	50	34
Br Aero	390	40	58	65	9	16	27
(*415)	420	23	41	47	24	30	42
	460	9	22	31	50	32	67
Br Telecm.	260	63	68	75	1½	3½	6
(*418)	390	35	42	52	4	10	13
	420	14	23	35	13	21	25
Cadbury	390	42	55	90	7	12	20
(*419)	420	22	35	60	17	25	30
	460	10	20	43	45	50	53
Guinness	950	88	117	132	5	13	22
(*1023)	1000	50	82	100	15	28	40
	1050	22	55	70	41	51	63
GEC	180	22	25	29	1	4	5
(*199)	200	7	12½	17	5½	9½	12
	220	2	5	8	24	25	26
Hanson	200	26	28½	30½	1	4½	6½
(*225)	220	10½	13½	18½	5	12½	14
	240	2½	3½	16	19	27	28
LASMO	300	22	34	38	8	12	18
(*310)	330	6½	17	23	27	30	54
	360	3	7½	13	54	55	35
Lucas	130	11	13	-	6½	6	-
(*135)	140	3	8	15	13	15	17
	160	2	3	3½	32	33	33
P & O	472	53	69	-	3	8	-
(*516)	516	20	38	47	17	25	36
	566	4½	18	25	53	56	63
Pilkington	140	16	20	26	4	8	11
(*149)	160	6	11½	17	14	19	22

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
	180	2	5½	9½	32	34	55
Prudential	240	11½	21	24	7½	11½	17
(*241)	260	4	11½	15	21	22	28
	280	1¼	6	8½	41	41	44
Racal Elec	51	16	12	-	1	2½	-
(*60)	55	6½	-	-	5	-	-
	60	4	5½	-	4½	5½	-
RTZ	500	77	90	97	1	5	11
(*566)	550	36	34	61	10½	18	26
	600	6	27	53	37	40	48
Scot New	360	60	65	-	1	3½	-
(*414)	390	33	41	52	5½	9½	14
	420	13	23	33	16	24	28
Tesco	240	25	34	38	2	4½	6½
(*260)	260	11	21	26	8	12	15
	280	4	11	17	23	22	24
Thames W.	350	42	47	-	5	5½	-
(*386)	370	22	30	-	5	11	-
	400	7	14	-	20	27	-
Vodafone	330	44	52	-	2	8	-
(*369)	360	22	33	-	9	18	-
	390	7	18	-	29	33	-
	Series	Oct	Jan	Apr	Oct	Jan	Apr
Fisons	420	46	58	68	1	6	16½
(*462)	460	14	31	45	9	19	25
	300	2	15	24	40	44	47
	Series	Dec	Mar	Jun	Dec	Mar	Jun
Abbey Nat.	280	30	37	40	3½	6	10½
(*301)	300	16	25	29	10½	16	18
	330	4½	11	15	34	36	39
Amstrad	35	7½	16	12	3½	4½	7
(*38)	40	5	7½	16	6	8	9½
	43	4	3½	8	16	11	12½
Barclays	420	52	62	65	3½	9	15
(*459)	460	24	53	41	16	26	30
	500	8½	17	24	45	49	55
Blue Circ	240	20	34	38	5½	8½	14
(*256)	260	13	22	26	13	18	24
	280	6	14	17	28	30	36
Br Gas	260	39	42	46	2	4	6
(*292)	280	22	28	35	5	9	11
	300	11	13½	22	13	17	20
Dixons	240	16	24	32	16	16	18
(*243)	260	9	15	22	23	27	29
	280	4	9	16	41	42	43
Eurotunnel	460	88	108	-	8	18	-
(*524)	500	58	82	98	19	30	33
	550	27	52	72	45	33	65
Forte	260	19	28	32	6	9	14
(*274)	280	8½	16	21	16	18	24
	300	5	8½	13	32	34	55
Glaxo	1300	137	175	212	19	33	43
(*1402)	1350	102	142	179	33	52	57
	1400	70	112	149	54	72	80
Hawker	700	65	75	85	8	12	14
(*744)	750	32	38	45	25	29	32
	800	14	16	24	55	55	55
Hillsdown	197	23	28	-	3	7½	-
(*214)	216	19	16	-	15	16	-
	236	4½	9½	13	26	29	33
Lonrho	220	20	52	35	2½	8½	19
(*239)	240	14	16	22	12	18	20
	260	5½	9	15	21	32	33
Midland	240	25	32	38	10	13	17
(*250)	260	12	21	29	20	24	26
	280	6	13	18	36	38	40
Reuter	850	112	136	-	15	29	-
(*940)	900	75	103	120	29	47	57
	950	49	74	92	52	69	80
	1000	28	54	72	87	103	110
R-Royce	150	19	23	24½	2½	5	7
(*145)	140	12½	16	18	5	9½	11
	160	4	7	9½	16	21½	23
Sears	80	17	18	21	2	3	4
(*94)	90	9	12	15	5	6	6½
	100	4	7½	19	11	12	15
Thorn EMI	700	103	112	-	3	6	-
(*790)	750	60	73	93	12	17	21
	800	26	44	64	33	38	42
	850	9	25	41	67	71	74
TSB	150	21	25	25	1½	5	4
(*147)	140	13	17	19	3	6	7½
	160	4½	8	10	14½	18	19
Vaal Reefs	60	11	15	16	5½	6	7
(*$66)	70	5½	8½	19½	8½	12	12½
Wellcome	700	65	89	107	20	32	38
(*736)	750	37	62	82	42	53	62
	800	18	40	60	74	85	92
	Series	Nov	Feb	May	Nov	Feb	May
Eastn Elec	160	31	33	57	1½	5½	5
(*189)	180	14	16	24	4	9	12
	200	5	9	13	15	21	23
	Series	Dec	Mar	Jun	Dec	Mar	Jun
Nat Power.	140	26	27	31	2	3	4½
(*160)	160	11	14	19	7	16	11
	180	5	6	9	22	23	24
Scot Power.	116	8	11	14	4	6½	6
(*112)	120	5½	7	19	9½	13	14
	130	2	4½	6½	16	21	22

FT-SE INDEX (*£2625)

	2500	2550	2600	2650	2700	2750
Calls						
Oct	132	91	55	25	11	4½
Nov	163	122	85	55	32	19
Dec	193	154	113	88	57	37
Jan	217	178	140	110	83	60
Jun	290	-	225	-	170	-
Puts						
Oct	9½	18	50	36	93	143
Nov	23	32	50	70	98	138
Dec	31	44	60	83	116	146
Jan	40	52	69	88	117	150
Jun	75	-	119	-	160	-

Contempt decision on Nadir imminent

A HIGH Court judge will give his decision on Monday on the application by Asil Nadir, the chairman of Polly Peck, to strike out a bid by his creditors to have him jailed for contempt of court.

The creditors, the Inland Revenue and eight banks that are owed £80 million, have launched a committal move against Mr Nadir for alleged breaches of an undertaking, given in bankruptcy proceedings last November, not to dispose of his assets.

The alleged breaches centre on a $27 million deal by Mr Nadir to sell his shares in the Impexbank, of Turkey, to a group of Turkish businessmen last December.

The creditors, who later agreed a compromise with Mr Nadir that led to their bankruptcy petition being dismissed, have complained that they were kept in the dark about the full details of the deal, which gave Mr Nadir a three-year option to huy back the shares.

Mr Justice Millett has been told that although the proceeds of the share sale were assigned to the creditors, the buyers had failed to make payment.

Ashley Group shares slide

By Gillian Bowditch

ASHLEY Group, the food retailer and window hlinds company, saw nearly £30 million wiped from its value on the stock market yesterday after it issued a warning that full-year profits for the period to end-August were unlikely to show any improvement on the £13.6 million recorded last year.

The shares fell 21p, almost 25 per cent, to 67p, valuing the company at £94.3 million.

The group said an expected advance in profits from a normally stronger second-half performance in its principal businesses had not been realised.

The directors have pledged a 20 per cent increase in the final dividend.

Tony Butler, the group's chief executive, said he felt the fall in the share price had been overdone.

"We put out a statement because we thought it was the honourable thing to do. It meant that all shareholders got the information at the same time, but I think there has been an over-reaction," he said.

Hoare Govett, stockbroker to the Ashley Group, had expected pre-tax profits of £17 million before the announcement.

Mr Butler said that the group's window hlinds business, Eclipse, had experienced a fall in sales of 7 per cent, which included a 20 per cent decline in sales from the Apollo shops.

In Spain, the food retailing business, Digsa, was undergoing some rationalisation, including the closure of a large warehouse, which had affected sales.

"Both businesses took a knock at the same time," he said.

There will be no exceptional or extraordinary charges in the full-year results, Mr Butler said yesterday.

Mr Butler added that gearing was about 33 per cent at this stage.

Maxwell deputy chief resigns

By Neil Bennett

JEAN-PIERRE Anselmini, deputy chairman of Maxwell Communication Corporation, has resigned. A statement from the group said he wanted to devote more time to his private business interests.

The departure is a further hlow to MCC's management team as the group prepares to demerge its North American businesses. Mr Anselmini was recruited three years ago from Crédit Lyonnais, the French bank and one of MCC's main financiers. His departure leaves the group in the hands of Robert Maxwell, the chairman, and his sons Ian and Kevin, joint managing directors.

Mr Anselmini was originally put in charge of strategy and operational management of the group's interests in Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

A short statement from MCC said Mr Anselmini remained on good terms with Mr Maxwell. He would continue to represent the group on company boards in France and the Soviet Union.

Anselmini: resigned

Talk of G7 deal fuels yen rise

By Colin Narbrough, Economics Correspondent

THE yen surged against the dollar on mnunting speculation that the Group of Seven finance ministers were preparing to agree on a stronger yen to reduce Japan's persistantly large trade surpluses. Official current account data, showing Japan's August surplus at $5.48 billion, six times higher than a year earlier, fuelled market expectation about a deal on the yen, most likely to emerge when G7 ministers meet in Bangkok next weekend.

The August current account surplus, which followed a $5.04 hillion surplus in July, reflected a 10.3 per cent jump in Japanese exports, primarily cars, electronics and chemicals, and a 10.8 per cent drop in imports, as gold and luxury goods purchases fell.

This boosted the surplus on visihle trade to $8.25 hillion, more than douhle the surplus in August 1990. The deficit on services narrowed by 14.1 per cent to $2.53 billion, despite a record $2.13 billion shortfall on tourism, while the long-term capital account swung to a $11.84 billion surplus from a $4.89 deficit a year earlier.

Japanese authorities sought to set a floor under the falling dollar, with Bank of Japan officials expressing concern about the "excessive" rise of the yen. Hiroshi Yasuda, vice-minister of finance, sought to dampen speculation, saying the G7 was unlikely to discuss a stronger yen or a new range for the dollar.

At the Tokyo opening, the dollar stood at Y129.75, against Y132.70 on Thursday morning. Comments from Ryutaro Hashimoto, the outgoing finance minister, that his ministry was monitoring the market, appeared to calm currency dealers, allowing the dollar to recover some ground.

He suggested that expectations of lower interest rates in America, as well as the growing Japanese surpluses, might be the reason for the downward pressure on the dollar.

☐ Industrial output in western Germany fell 1.3 per cent in August, according to provisional government figures. Although the seasonally adjusted data were seen as confirmation of a slowdown, they were exaggerated by fewer working days in August, a factor not picked up in the adjustments. In July, production fell 1.4 per cent.

July and August together showed little change from the previous two months, but were still 2.7 per cent above the same period in 1990.

☐ The French economy returned to growth in the second quarter, with gross domestic product up 0.8 per cent, after a flat first quarter, according to final data from the national statistics offfice.

Exports were markedly higher, while imports eased. Domestic consumption was little changed. Manufacturing output rose 1.2 per cent in the second quarter, after falling 0.9 per cent in the first.

☐ In America, the closely watched labour market data showed unemployment dropping to 6.7 per cent last month, having been stuck at 6.8 per cent for the previous three months.

The labour department said the slight improvement in September came despite companies' failure to re-hire workers on any significant scale during the month. Only 24,000 jobs were added to the non-farm payroll total, a modest gain for an economy coming out of recession.

FT-SE 100 VOLUMES

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
Abbey Nat	875	Cadbury	835	Lonrho	801	Royal Bank	1,187
Alld-Lyons	959	CU	517	Lucas	708	Royal Ins	1,432
Anglian	581	Courtaulds	418	M&S	1,394	Sainsbury	1,657
ASDA	4,224	Enterprise	294	Maxwell Cm	817	Scot & N	156
AB Foods	1,695	Eurotunnel	238	MEPC	894	Scot Power	1,124
Argyll	529	Fisons	2,035	Midland	1,463	Sears	2,851
Arjo Wigg	450	Forte	1,548	Natl Power	5,809	Severn Trnt	2,435
BAA	1,023	Gen Acc	864	Nat West	1,657	Shell	8,398
BET	1,629	GEC	1,667	N W Water	426	Smith & N	243
BTR	1,095	Glaxo	1,365	Nthn Foods	288	SK Beech	1,260
BAT	893	Grand Met	1,378	P&O	390	Sun Allnce	395
Barclays	1,428	GUS 'A'	284	Pearson	136	Tarmac	3,097
Bass	691	GRE	875	Pilkington	5,774	Tate Lyle	1,626
BICC	208	Guinness	834	PowerGen	4,945	TSB	1,051
Bk Scotlnd	988	Hanson	3,592	Prudential	2,598	Tesco	3,127
Blue Circle	111	Hawker	921	Rank	828	Thames Wtr	859
BOC	919	Hillsdown	809	R&C	229	Thorn EMI	480
Boots	868	ICI	218	Redland	968	Trafalgar	650
Br Aero	865	Inchcape	735	Reed	905	Unilever	516
Br Airways	2,052	Kingfisher	779	Rentokil	71	United Bis	1,735
Br Gas	5,163	Lasmo	1,171	Reuters	710	Vodafone	3,289
Br Petrol	9,182	Ladbroke	907	RMC Gp	108	Wellcome	249
Br Steel	7,772	Land Sec	484	RTZ	288	Whitbrd	732
Br Telecm	2,780	L&G	440	R-Royce	3,497	Williams	444
C&W	927	Lloyds	1,149	Rothmans 'B'	454	Wills Cor	164

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MAJOR INDICES

New York:
Dow Jones .... 2989.94 (+5.15)*
S&P Composite .... 384.42 (-0.05)*
Tokyo:
Nikkei Average ... 24596.90 (-114.54)
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng .... 4067.69 (-25.72)
FT-SE Euro 100 .... 1098.21 (-3.97)
Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency .... 89.4 (-0.1)
Sydney: AO .... 1587.1 (+2.1)
Frankfurt: DAX .... 1601.73 (-5.59)
Brussels:
General .... 5469.89 (+29.23)
Paris: CAC .... 491.80 (-4.30)
Zurich: SKA Gen .... 518.4 (+1.7)
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FT—A All-Share ...... 1266.15 (-1.26)
FT— "500" .... 1407.76 (-0.60)
FT. Gold Mines .... 181.2 (+1.3)
FT. Fixed Interest .... 97.09 (-0.02)
FT. Govt Secs .... 87.26 (-0.18)
Bargains 30955
SEAQ Volume 457.1m
USM (Datastream) .... 131.99 (+0.15)
*Denotes midday trading price

THE SUNDAY TIMES

Birth of a billionaire

"Jimmy Goldsmith's father was part owner of a group of grand hotels in France. From the moment he was born, Jimmy enjoyed a quality of life perhaps only equalled by members of royal families..."

Ivan Fallon on Sir James Goldsmith, in The Sunday Times tomorrow

Williams accounts attacked by Racal

RACAL Electronics has attacked the accounting policies of Williams Holdings in its first defence document against the £719 million hostile takeover offer from Nigel Rudd's and Brian McGowan's industrial conglomerate.

The document argues that Williams' all-paper offer is "of uncertain value" because of the company's accounting treatment. Three aspects of Williams' accounts come under attack: the level of disclosure on acquisition accounting, the "unusual" inclusion of the pension fund surplus as an asset on the balance sheet, and "the non-standard" treatment of exceptional items.

Racal shareholders are urged to reject the "inequitable, uncertain, opportunistic and inadequate" offer.

The defence document, which does not include a profit forecast, concentrates on Racal's track record since 1966 when Sir Ernest Harrison became chairman and chief executive. Since then, according to Racal, the company "has shown the highest capital growth of any UK electronics sector stock which investors could have held throughout the last 25 years".

It also points to the development of Racal Vodafone, fully demerged from its former parent in September and now valued at £3.8 billion. Since April 27, 1988, the day before the announcement of the initial partial demerger of Racal Vodafone, Racal shareholders have seen the value of their holdings increase by 103 per cent, compared with a 44 per cent increase in the FT-SE 100 index and a 23 per cent advance in Williams' share price.

The document also said that the terms offered by Williams to Yale and Valor shareholders earlier this year proved that the offer undervalued Racal. The £417 million paid for Yale and Valor represented 107 per cent of that company's turnover and a 202 per cent premium to net assets. By contrast, the defence document says, the offer for Racal represents only 46 per cent of its turnover and a 12 per cent premium to net assets.

Racal shares rose 1½p to 59½p, while Williams Holdings' shares fell 2p to 340p.

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The second Guinness trial

Argyll 'campaign of sabotage' alleged by Roux

By Our City Staff

GUINNESS was the victim of an "amazing campaign" of sabotage during its takeover battle for Distillers, a court was told yesterday.

Argyll, the Scottish supermarket group and Guinness's rival in the takeover battle, tried to distort the Guinness share price by attacks in the market, in the courts, on the political front and in the press, Olivier Roux, the former Guinness finance director, told Southwark Crown Court.

He was speaking in response to a request from Roger Seelig, a former merchant banker, who denies fraud and false accounting charges and is defending himself, to paint an accurate picture of Argyll's anti-Guinness tactics.

Mr Roux agreed when he suggested there was no investigation of Argyll as there was into Guinness.

Mr Roux said that, as a result of Argyll's tactics, Guinness persuaded its supporters to buy its shares as a "corrective" to stabilise their market value — a move he regarded as "completely honest".

Mr Seelig and Lord Spens, a former merchant banker, are accused of taking part in an alleged multimillion pound share-support operation involving undisclosed indemnity payments to help Guinness win its £2.7 billion bid for Distillers in the spring of 1986.

Mr Seelig, a former corporate finance director at Morgan Grenfell, denies two charges of false accounting under the 1968 Theft Act and one under the 1958 Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Act, alleging that he fraudulently attempted to induce the disposal and acquisition of securities.

Olivier Roux: 'corrective'

Lord Spens, the former managing director of Henry Ansbacher and Company, also denies a charge of false accounting. Both deny a joint charge alleging conspiracy to contravene the provisions of the Prevention of Fraud (Investments) Act.

Mr Roux, a prosecution witness, agreed with Mr Seelig that, from the beginning of the bid, Guinness's advisers gave a warning that Argyll and its followers might make counter-attacks and try to "sabotage" Guinness's share price.

Aggressive attacks soon materialised in an "amazing campaign in every possible direction", he said.

They involved Guinness shareholders friendly to Argyll selling enormous holdings through different stockbrokers to cause the brewer's share price the maximum amount of damage. Another tactic was offering shares for sale after the market closed.

Argyll suppporters also sold Guinness shares "short" — selling stock they did not have at the time.

Mr Roux said Argyll attacked Guinness in the press, trying to give the impression that the takeover would harm the company's profits and that it only launched a counterbid to protect its position in Bell's, an earlier acquisition.

There was also a political campaign that involved making approaches to all those who would be consulted by the Office of Fair Trading in determining whether to refer Guinness's bid to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. These included the Scottish Office, the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and other government departments.

On the legal front, Argyll issued a writ against the Distillers and Guinness merger agreement and sought a judicial review on how Guinness's first offer for the company could lapse so a second one could be made.

Mr Roux said Argyll also attacked Guinness in its bid presentations to institutions.

But Guinness's presentations never mentioned Argyll, concentrating instead on the benefits a merger would bring to the shareholders and the country.

The trial was adjourned until Monday.

Flagship store: shoppers queue at Liberty's main branch in Regent Street, London

Lamont hails year in ERM a success

By Colin Narbrough
Economics Correspondent

AMID speculation about an imminent move by Britain to the narrow bands of the European exchange-rate mechanism, Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, has hailed the first year of ERM membership as a success.

But his anniversary statement gave no guidance as to when the government might move the pound from the wide 6 per cent bands to the 2.25 per cent bands. Predictions that Mr Lamont was ready to tighten the bands immediately, even yesterday, had circulated the market from Thursday afternoon.

The Conservative party conference at Blackpool next week has been tipped by foreign exchange dealers as a platform from which a move to the narrow bands could be announced, possibly to coincide with another half-point cut in interest rates when the inflation figures are published on Friday. But the pound has been relatively weak, suggesting Mr Lamont has little scope for an early ERM change. At the Bank of England close yesterday, sterling stood at DM2.9162, well below its central rate of DM2.95.

Julian Callow, economist at Chase Investment Bank, considered sterling weakness a restraint, but said no Treasury minister had publicly made a commitment to preserve sterling's central rate. This suggested a strong likelihood of a devaluation from DM2.95 to between DM2.85 and DM2.90 when the bands are narrowed.

Mr Lamont said the ERM had provided an "invaluable framework" in the fight against inflation. But he sought to dampen hopes of further interest rate cuts, saying that the government's commitment to maintain sterling's ERM parity meant that British interest rates were heavily influenced by those of our European partners.

He said the competitiveness of British exporters, contrary to City expectations, had been unimpaired by ERM membership: exports to the Community were up 12 per cent in the three months to August compared with last year.

The government's latest cyclical indicators, which seek to identify turning points in economic activity, continue to show an economy on the road to recovery, but at a very modest pace, he said. City analysts, however, believe the figures reflect the end of a brief upturn in confidence earlier this year, not a sustained recovery.

STV shares up as profits dive

SCOTTISH Television, whose shares have more than doubled in the past 12 months, announced pre-tax profits for the six months to end-June of £1.15 million, a fall of 67 per cent on last time.

But the drop in earnings failed to dent the share price, which rose 2p to 572p. STV is widely believed to have bid under £1 million, one of the lowest bids, to retain its television franchise, and its bid is uncontested. The group said the estimated costs of its application were £4 million, which will be taken as an extraordinary item in the second half.

Pre-tax profits in the first half fell on the back of a drop in revenue and an increase in exceptional costs. Sales of advertising fell from £43.7 million to £40 million and programme sales fell from £8.3 million to £7.73 million. Total turnover fell from £52.3 million to £48 million.

The exceptional costs, for severence pay, rose from £590,000 to £2.08 million. Earnings per share fell from 9.73p to 3.27p and the interim dividend is 2.875p (5.75p).

South African buys 14.6% in Liberty

By Gillian Bowditch

BRIAN Myerson, the South African financier, has bought 14.6 per cent of the voting shares of Liberty & Co, the retailer whose principal store is in Regent Street, London.

Mr Myerson bought the shares for 650p each from the Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund, via his company Concerto Capital Corporation. James Capel carried oot the transaction. The purchase takes Mr Myerson's holding in the ordinary shares of Liberty to 15.08 per cent. He also holds an undisclosed number of the non-voting shares.

Mr Myerson said it would be premature to say what his intentions were towards Liberty, which he considers to be one of the last strong independent retail brand names. He said he would not be buying any more Liberty shares in the immediate future. Last year, he attempted to enfranchise the non-voting shares of Aquascutum, which led to the sale of the business to Renown, of Japan. While Mr Myerson has not yet spoken to the management of Liberty, he is likely to seek a meeting soon. "I am now the second largest shareholder after the family," he said, adding that it was too early to say whether or not he would seek board representation.

Harry Weblin, the chairman of Liberty, expressed disappointment that Merchant Navy had sold the shares to Mr Myerson, but said he could understand it.

More than half the voting shares, which make up 77 per cent of the share capital of the group, are in the hands of relatives of the founding family. Mr Weblin said he was confident that these shares would stay within the family.

Liberty last month announced pre-tax profits of £1.7 million for the six months to August 3, a 36.3 per cent fall. Mr Weblin said trading conditions had been the worst for a decade.

Coutts to cut 170 more jobs

COUTTS, the Queen's bank, has told its staff of 2,100 that 170 of them will be made redundant by Christmas. The message comes after the failure of a voluntary redundancy programme. This attracted only 65 applicants, well short of the 250 job cuts that the bank hopes to make as part of a £12 million cost-cutting programme.

The bank, a subsidiary of National Westminster, said that it still hoped to redeploy as many staff as possible and denied reports that it was planning to close its Campbell's Office in the Strand.

The job cuts are part of a wider reorganisation at Coutts, which has taken over NatWest's private banking businesses worldwide.

Other banks have been forced to introduce or expand compulsory redundancies in the past year as the recession has reduced the numbers leaving due to natural wastage.

Buyers sought for BCCI operations

By Neil Bennett
Banking Correspondent

CONTINENTAL banks are being offered the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International's British branches and loan book after reconstruction talks failed this week.

Advisers to the Abu Dhabi government, BCCI's main shareholder, and Touche Ross, the provisional liquidator, are contacting leading continental banks about buying BCCI's operations.

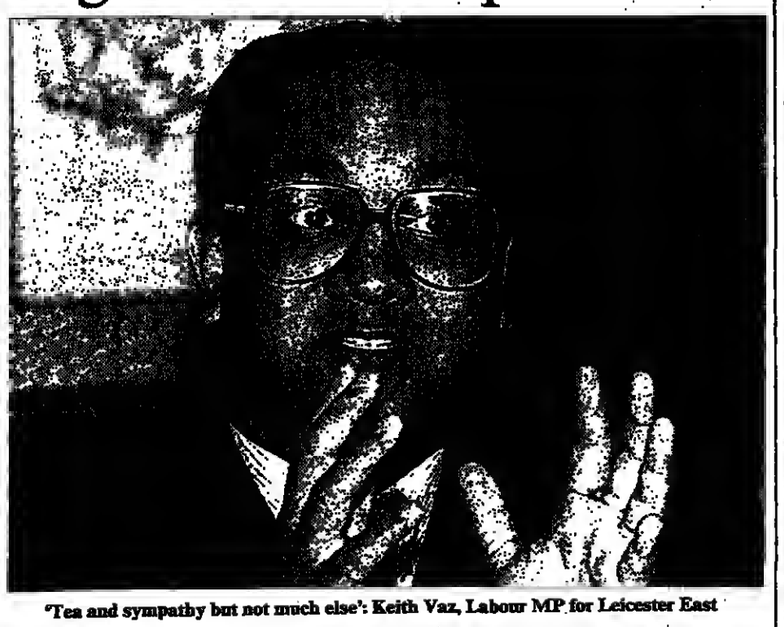
They are hoping to sell a package of up to six branches and a £300 million loan book. The money raised would help to compensate the bank's depositors. The advisers hope a foreign bank will buy the operations to establish or expand a branch network in Britain.

If the attempt fails, Touche Ross will be forced to sell the pieces at heavily reduced prices. The proposed sale is part of the new policy of the Abu Dhabi government to realise BCCI's assets after its decision to make all but 185 of the bank's British staff redundant last week.

Keith Vaz, the Labour MP for Leicester East, met Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, and John Maples, the economic secretary to the Treasury, yesterday to request government help for BCCI depositors.

Mr Vaz said he was disappointed by the meeting, even though Mr Maples did not rule out government compensation if the official enquiry into the BCCI closure revealed that the Bank of England was negligent in its handling of the case.

"Mr Maples gave us tea and sympathy but not much else. He expressed his disappointment that the restructuring process had not succeeded."



'Tea and sympathy but not much else': Keith Vaz, Labour MP for Leicester East

The Abu Dhabi government decided to abandon attempts to rebuild BCCI after a meeting last weekend in the Gulf.

The Abu Dhabi authorities are also said to have been angered by the performance of Touche Ross. Sources close to BCCI said many of its loans did not appear to have been serviced since the bank was closed by international regulators on July 5. They believed this was further depleting the bank's remaining assets. Touche Ross said it could not comment on the reports.

Since BCCI's closure, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan has been paying BCCI's British staff £600,000 a week. He will pay another £3 million in redundancy and has appointed an outplacement agency to help the staff find new jobs.

Brown & Tawse chief goes

By Our City Staff

KEITH Rae, chief executive of Brown & Tawse, the steel and pipeline distributor, has resigned with immediate effect after dissatisfaction in the City with the group's performance. Mr Rae, who has not taken up a post with another company, will be paid compensation that has still to be agreed.

Gilbert Black, chairman, will take over as chief executive until a replacement can be found. Brown & Tawse, made a pre-tax loss of £1.2 million in the year to end-March compared with profits of £6 million. The dividend was cut from 9.5p to 5.7p.

Phillip Ashforth, finance director, said the board had been united and Mr Rae's resignation had been amicable. He said: "The board has been made conscious that the outside business world has not been happy with the group's performance recently." The shares were unchanged at 83p.

Caledonian clan gathers to fight Price war

By Neil Bennett
Banking Correspondent

THE chief of the clan Forsyth in Scotland has launched a £6 million legal suit against Price Waterhouse, the accountant, for alleged breach of contract and negligence after the collapse of his company, Caledonian Produce.

Alistair Forsyth of that ilk, Caledonian's chairman, and three of his fellow shareholders have served a writ on the firm, which first advised the company on a reconstruction and was then appointed as its joint receiver. Mr Forsyth, who lives in Ethie Castle near Arbroath, Tayside, suffered heavy losses in the collapse of Caledonian, in which he owned a 10 per cent stake.

The writ alleges that Price Waterhouse undervalued Caledonian's assets by £3 million, and that the firm told the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Caledonian's banker, that its loans were not supported by group assets. The dispute stems from 1986, when Caledonian decided to reorganise to repay bank debts. The company hired Price Waterhouse to report on the company's value and its trading.

At its height, Caledonian had a spread of businesses across Scotland. These included Melrose, the Edinburgh tea distributor, which has held a royal warrant since last century. There were also Clark Constable, a printing firm of which Sir Walter Scott was a founder shareholder, and the Farmers' Supply Association, an agricultural distributor.

The group had an annual turnover of £56 million, and reported profits of £700,000 in 1984, the last year that audited accounts were published. Price Waterhouse's investigations, however, suggested that Caledonian's assets were far less than it had originally believed. Mr Forsyth said that Price Waterhouse took this information to the Hongkong Bank, which led eventually to the receivership.

During the liquidation, Price Waterhouse sold Melrose to Premier Brands, now part of Hillsdown, and Farmers' Supply was the subject of a management buyout.

The courts later appointed Grant Thornton as liquidator. The latter then sold the remaining assets and produced a surplus over the bank debts. Other parts of Caledonian were simply wound up. These included Hargreaves Rice and Quinn, a Lloyd's insurance broker in London, which is now running off its business.

The case has already made Scottish legal history, since the Court of Session gave the four shareholders permission to sue Price Waterhouse, even after Grant Thornton, Caledonian's liquidator and effective controller, refused.

Mr Forsyth said that if the case succeeds, the money will be used to repay Caledonian's unsecured creditors, including shareholders and suppliers, who have suffered in the collapse.

Price Waterhouse has said that the Caledonian case is entirely without merit and has pledged a vigorous defence. The accountancy firm has already applied for more time to prepare its argument.

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TEMPUS

Racal awaits the real Williams bid

Sir Ernest: phoney war

HOSTILE takeovers may be back but they are a mere shadow of their former selves as seen during the golden age of the Eighties. Witness the Williams Holdings bid for Racal Electronics. The bidder's opening shot was curiously low key and the first defence document from Racal, posted yesterday, maintains the impressioo of a phoney war. Where, for example, are the hitter personal attacks on the aggressor's management, the critical analysis of the hidder's record?

The best that Racal, led by Sir Ernest Harrison, comes up with is a few throwaway lines oo Williams's accounting policies and a reference to the "opportunistic and inadequate" oature of the bid.

But these are still early days and the feeling in the City is that both sides are keeping their powder dry for later io the campaign. Racal believes it has little to fear from the bidder's opening shot and has oot, for example, gone to the trouble of producing a profit forecast. That will come later, after Williams's oext move.

Williams's three-for-twenty all-share offer values Racal shares at 51p each, against a market price of 59½p yesterday and well below the 60p-65p most analysts believe Racal is worth oo fundamentals alone.

To stand any chance of winning, Williams must raise its offer to at least 70p a share and must put cash on the table. Analysts are pencilling in up to 4p a share of earnings for Racal in 1992-3, valuing Williams's bid at an unflattering 13 times prospective earnings for that year.

Against the 18 times 1992 prospective earnings BTR has offered Hawker Siddeley, with a big cash element, the Williams bid looks undernourished. Racal investors should sit and wait.

Healthy Halstead

JAMES Halstead Group is down on the floor — and loving it. Its floor-covering products, accounting for two-thirds of turnover and even more of earnings, remain in demand, and group profits in the year to eod-June agaio moved ahead, to £7.65 millioo (£7.44 millioo).

Cooway, Halstead's camping products division, also did well and, together with floors, helped to offset modest losses from Belstaff International, the rainwear business, and weaker profits from Driza-Bone in Australia.

The group ended the year with £2 millioo of oet cash. A final dividend of 7p (6.5p) makes 11.25p a share (10.5p), covered 3.2 times. Capital expenditure of £3 millioo in the current financial year will largely be devoted to improving production capacity.

Increased overseas sourcing of rainwear should assist margins in 1992, and another growth in profit year-on-year is likely.

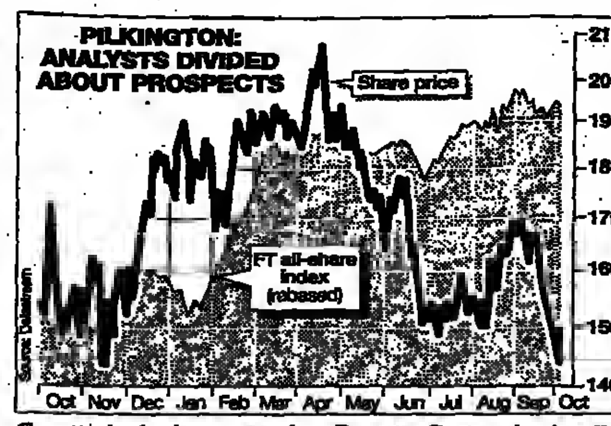
The shares, strongly held by the Halstead family and by employees, rose 18p to 376p yesterday. Given pretax profit hopes for 1991-2 of £7.85 million, they are on a prospective multiple of 10.4.

Groups that do oot complain about recessions are rare. In more prosperous times they will perform even better. Boy.

STOCK MARKET

Shares drift lower after US rate cut fails to materialise

THE absence of an expected cut in the American prime rate left share prices with a sinking feeling. Yesterday had started promisingly. The speculators had been bracing themselves for a long-awaited mega-bid while everybody else had been hoping that a move by the Federal Reserve in America would be the catalyst for a further softening in domestic bank base rates. In the event, everybody was disappointed.



The equity market never really got into its stride after the overnight setback on Wall Street. Investors remained on the sidelines and the FT-SE 100 index spent a nervous day, moving within narrow limits. It managed to reduce a fall of nearly 11 points to finish only 1.0 down at 2,624.6. The FT index of 30 shares shed 0.5 at 2,018.7, with turnover reaching 457 million shares. Government securities suffered losses stretching to £½ at the longer end as hopes of a cut soon in interest rates receded after the latest economic data from America.

British Aerospace was a dull market, losing 8p at 415p before Mooday's extraordinary meeting to approve the £432 million rights issue. The break-up bid that some observers had been forecasting now seems remote. Many dealers have always regarded it as a oon-starter. **GEC**, which seems to want to guarantee BAe's future, hardened 1p to 198p.

Pilkington, Britain's biggest glassmaker, rallied 5p to 149p. Pilkington was the subject of a profits downgrading by Nomura, the Japanese securities house, this week. Yesterday, its advisers were rushing to its aid. Cazenove, one of the company's joint brokers, has been telling its clients that the shares have been oversold, while Charterhouse Tilney, the other broker, has started arranging meetings with selected fund managers. Hoare Govett, the broker, upset the building sector by taking a bearish view. Top of its hit list was **Rugby Group**, down 4p at 176p, **Meyer International**, 5½p cheaper at 444p, and **BPB Industries**, 3p lower at 186p. There could be some activity among the regional drinks companies next week. Kleinwort Benson, the broker, has published a 28-page review of the smaller brewers. Kleinwort believes that they have been neglected after the monopolies commissioo's recommendations concerning the tied-house system. They are oow regarded as good valne for money with a number of possible bid situations thrown in for good measure.

Albert Fisher, the fresh food distributor, fell 3p to 97p, a two-day loss of 10p. Dealers are becoming nervous about the full-year figures, due on October 17. Profits are expected to be up from £74.4 million to £90 million, but there is concern that earnings growth is slowing dramatically.

Those recommended by Kleinwort include **Greenall A**, 3p better at 163p, **Marston, Thompson**, steady at 228p, **Morland**, 2p stronger at 330p, and **Wolverhampton & Dudley**, unchanged at 582p.

Ratners Group, the jeweller, managed to halt this week's sharp fall in the share price by rallying 7p to 90p. On Wednesday, Moody's decided to downgrade the group's credit rating, which means it could be paying more for its borrowings. Analysts in the City immediately cut their pre-tax profit forecasts for the current year and there is now talk of a rights issue at some stage.

There was heavy turnover in **Saatchi & Saatchi**, the troubled advertising agency, with the price down ¼p at 15p on reports of big selling from America. Dealers said that several lines of stock had gone through the market, including a parcel of 9 millioo shares.

Ranks Hovis McDougall slipped 5p to 268p as Hoare Govett, the broker, placed a line of 2.5 million shares in the market on behalf of an institutional client. There is talk that Hoare will soon publish a review of the food manufacturers.

Racal Electronics firmed 1½p to 59½p after rejecting the £703 million offer from Williams Holdings as "opportunistic and inadequate". The speculators are holding on to their shares and pinning their hopes on a possible counter-bid. **Williams Holdings** eased 2p to 340p.

MICHAEL CLARK

WALL STREET

	Oct 4 midday	Oct 3 close		Oct 4 midday	Oct 3 close		Oct 4 midday	Oct 3 close
Abbott Lab	54	54	Enron	67¾	67¾	Oryx Enrgy	32¾	33
Aetna Life	34¼	34¾	Entergy	26¾	26¾	Pac Ent	29¾	26¾
Ahmanson	17¾	17	Ethyl	24¾	24¾	Pac Gas Elec	29	29¾
Air Prods	67¾	67	Exxon	59¾	59¾	Pac Telesis	42	42¾
Albertsons	37	36¾	Fed NMA	63¾	64¾	Paccar	45	45¾
Alcan Al	19¼	19¾	Fedrl Exprs	35¾	35¾	Pacificorp	24¾	23¾
Alco Stand	33¾	33¾	Ft Norstar	22¾	23¾	Pall	37¾	37¾
Allied Signal	35¾	35¾	Fluor	43¾	43¾	Paramount	38	38¾
Alumin CA	59¾	59¾	FMC	46¾	46¾	Parker-Hanfn	25¾	25¾
Am Brands	43¾	44	Ford Motor	30¾	30	Penney	49¾	50
Am Cyanamid	63¾	64¾	FPL	33¾	33¾	Pennzoil	65¾	65¾
Am EPC	31	31¾	Fst Chicago	25¾	25¾	Pepsico	26¾	28¾
Am General	40¾	40¾	Fst Intrsta	28¾	28¾	Pfizer	66¾	65¾
Am Home	67¾	68	Fst Union	28¾	28¾	Philips Pet	25¾	26¾
Am Intl	81¾	81¾	Gannett	38¾	39¾	Philips Elec	23	22¾
Am Stores	34¾	35¾	GAP	42	42¾	Philip Morris	72¾	72¾
Amax	19¾	20	Gen Cinema	20¾	20¾	Phelps Dodge	73¾	72¾
Amer Hess	56¾	56¾	Gen Elec	69¾	69¾	Pitney Bow	57¾	58¾
Ameritech	60¾	60¾	Gen Mills	59¾	59¾	Placer Dm	10¾	11¾
Amex	22¾	23	Gen Motors	36¾	37¾	PNC Fncl	40¾	40¾
Amoco	52¾	52¾	Gen RE	87¾	87¾	Pnhdle Estn	12¾	12¾
AMP	49¾	49¾	Gen Signal	49¾	49¾	Polaroid	26¾	26
AMR	54¾	55¾	Genuine Pts	43¾	43¾	PPG Inds	53¾	54
Anheuser-B	53¾	53¾	Georgia-Pac	54	53¾	Proctr Gmble	84¾	83¾
Apple Comp	47¾	49¾	Gillette	39¾	40¾	Price	58	57¾
Archer-Dan	25¾	25	Goodrich	46	46	Primerica	34¾	35
Arkla	15¾	15¾	Goodyear	43¾	43¾	Pub Service	28¾	29¾
Armco	5¾	5¾	Grace	36¾	37	Quaker Oats	57¾	57¾
Armstrong	35¾	35¾	Greyhound	36¾	37¾	Ralston Pur	48¾	48¾
Asarco	25¾	25¾	Gt Atlantic	33¾	33¾	Raychem	26¾	26¾
Ashland Oil	29¾	29¾	Gt Western	16¾	16¾	Raytheon	76¾	75¾
AT&T	38¾	37¾	GTE	31¾	31¾	Reebok	31¾	31¾
Atlan Richfld	117¾	118¾	Halliburtn	35	33¾	Roadway	55¾	56
Auto DP	35¾	35¾	Heinz	39¾	40¾	Rockwell	25¾	26¾
Avery Denn	20¾	20¾	Hercules	41¾	42	Rohm Haas	45¾	45¾
Avon Prod	43¾	44¾	Hershey Fd	39¾	39¾	Royal Dutch	80¾	80¾
Baltimore	32¾	32¾	Hewlett Pkd	47¾	48¾	Rubbermaid	55¾	56
Banc One	44¾	45¾	Hilton Htl	38¾	38	Rynlds Mtl	54¾	54¾
Bankamerica	40¾	40¾	Home Depot	54¾	55	Safeco	39¾	39
Bard	25	25¾	Homestake	15¾	15¾	Salomon	23¾	23
Barnett Bk	25¾	25¾	Honeywell	53	53¾	Sant Fe Pac	9¾	9¾
Bausch Lmb	47	46¾	Houston Ind	40¾	40¾	Sara Lee	44¾	44¾
Baxter Intl	34¾	34¾	Hsehld Intl	56¾	56¾	Scbecorp	44¾	44¾
Bec Dickin	66	67¾	Humana	29¾	29¾	Schlumbgr	66¾	66
Bell Atlan	43¾	46	IBM	99¾	99	Schrg-Plgh	57¾	57¾
Bellsouth	46	46¾	IF&F	95¾	95¾	Scott Papr	36¾	36¾
Bkr Hughes	23¾	23¾	Illinois TW	64¾	65	Seagram	111¾	112¾
Black Decker	16	16¾	Inco	29¾	29¾	Sears Rbk	36¾	36¾
Block	32¾	33	Ingersl-Rand	47¾	47	Security Pac	32	31¾
Bnkrs Tst NY	60¾	60¾	Inland Steel	19¾	19¾	Shrwn-Wllms	23¾	23
Boeing	48¾	49	Intel	40¾	39¾	Skyline	14¾	14¾
Boise Casc	25¾	25	Intl Paper	70¾	69¾	Snap-on Tls	32¾	32¾
Borden	32¾	32¾	ITT	55¾	55	Southern	30¾	30¾
Brist-Myer	82¾	83	James River	21¾	21¾	St Paul	60	59¾
Browng-Fer	18¾	18¾	Johnsn Jhsn	87	87¾	Stanley Wk	38¾	38¾
Burl Nth	36¾	36¾	K Mart	42¾	42¾	Stone Cntr	18¾	18¾
CAI	7¾	7¾	Kellogg	109	108¾	Sun Co	30¾	30¾
Campbell Sp	74¾	75¾	Kerr-McGee	43¾	43¾	Suntst Bk	34¾	34¾
Cap Cities	426¾	429	Kmbrly-Clrk	99¾	99¾	Super Valu	24¾	24¾
Capital HC	45¾	45¾	Knight-Riddr	46¾	47¾	SW Bell	55¾	56¾
Carolina	40	43¾	Lilly	79¾	79¾	Syntex	41	41¾
Caterpillar	44¾	44¾	Limited	25¾	24¾	Sysco	39¾	38¾
CBS	156¾	158¾	Lin Brdcstg	72¾	70¾	Tandem	12¾	12¾
Central SW	50¾	50¾	Lincln Nat	47¾	48¾	Tandy	29¾	28¾
Champion	24¾	24¾	Litton Ind	87¾	87¾	Tele-comm	14¾	14¾
Chase Man	17¾	17¾	Lockheed	38¾	38¾	Teledyne	20	20¾
Chem Bnkg	23¾	24	Louis-Pac	42¾	41¾	Temple-In	46	45¾
Chevron	75	74¾	Manu Hano	26¾	27	Tenneco	36¾	36¾
Chrysler	10¾	10¾	Marriott	16	16	Texaco	63¾	63¾
Chubb	82¾	82¾	Marsh Mclen	78	78	Texas Inst	28¾	28
Cigna	44¾	44¾	Martin Mar	50¾	48¾	Texas Util	39	38¾
Citicorp	13¾	13¾	Masco	21	20¾	Textron	33¾	34
Clbrne Liz	42¾	42¾	May Dept	52¾	53¾	Time Wnr	84¾	85¾
Clorox	39¾	39¾	Maytag	12¾	13¾	Times Mirr	29¾	29¾
Cmwlth Edis	39¾	39¾	McDnl Doug	59¾	60¾	Timken	26¾	26¾
CNA Fincl	85¾	86¾	McDonalds	35¾	35	Torchmark	50¾	50¾
Coastal	31¾	30¾	McGraw-Hill	50¾	51	Toys R Us	33¾	33¾
Coca-Cola	64¾	64	MCI Com	28	27¾	Transam	37¾	37¾
Colgate-Pal	43¾	43	Mead	30¾	29¾	Travelers	18¾	18¾
Columb Gas	18¾	18¾	Medtronic	70¾	69¾	Tribune	39¾	40
Compaq	31¾	31¾	Mellon Bk	34¾	34	TRW	40¾	40¾
Conagra	46¾	46¾	Melville	47	46¾	Tyco Lab	34¾	33¾
Cons Edis	25¾	25¾	Merck	129¾	128¾	UAL	121¾	122¾
Cons NG	42	42¾	Merll Lynch	47¾	47¾	Un Camp	46	44¾
Cons Rail	75¾	76¾	Minnesota	90¾	91	Un Carbide	19¾	20
Cooper Ind	50	50	Mobil	69¾	69¾	Un Pacific	46¾	47¾
Corning	69¾	69¾	Monsanto	66¾	67¾	Unilever	80¾	87¾
CPC Intl	86¾	88¾	Moore	23¾	23¾	Unisys	4¾	4¾
Crown Cork	90¾	91¾	Morgan JP	60¾	60¾	Unocal	25¾	25¾
CSX	52¾	53¾	Motorola	66¾	66	Upjohn	44¾	44¾
Dana	29¾	29¾	Nat Medical	20	20¾	US Life	40¾	40¾
Dayton-Hud	68¾	70¾	Nat Semi	4¾	4	US West	35¾	35¾
Deere	51¾	51¾	Nat Service	22¾	22¾	Usair Gp	8¾	9¾
Delta Air	62¾	63¾	Navistar	2¾	2¾	USF&G	7¾	7¾
Deluxe	46¾	45¾	NCNB	35	35	UST	47¾	47¾
Detroit Ed	31¾	31¾	NCR	n/a	n/a	USX Mar	31	30¾
Digital Eq	53¾	53¾	NBD Bncp	42¾	42¾	Utd Tech	43¾	43¾
Dillard	127¾	127¾	Newmnt Min	39¾	39¾	Utd Telcm	24	24
Disney	114¾	112¾	Niagr Mhwk	17¾	17¾	VF	36¾	36¾
Dominion	53¾	53¾	Nike	51¾	50¾	Wal-Mart	47¾	47¾
Donnelley	44¾	44¾	NL Indstrs	13¾	13¾	Waste Mgmt	36¾	36¾
Dover	38¾	38¾	Nordstorm	43	42¾	Wells Fargo	72¾	71¾
Dow Chem	51	51¾	Norflk Sthn	55¾	55¾	Westg Elec	22¾	22¾
Dow Jones	25¾	26¾	Norwest	33¾	33¾	Weyerhsr	27¾	27¾
Dresser Ind	19¾	19¾	Nthn St Pwr	39¾	39¾	Whirlpool	37¾	37¾
Du Pont	44¾	44¾	Nthn Telcm	39¾	38¾	Whitman	12	12
Duke Pwr	32¾	32¾	NY Times	21¾	22	Winn-Dixie	36¾	36¾
Dun Bradst	47¾	47¾	Nynex	76¾	75¾	Woolworth	29¾	29¾
East Kodak	42¾	43	Occid Petrl	23¾	23¾	Wrigley	61¾	62¾
Eaton	60	59¾	Ohio Ed	20	20¾	Wrner-Lamb	71	70¾
Emerson El	47¾	48	Oracle Sys	14¾	14¾	Xerox	61¾	61¾

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
September 23	October 4	December 23	January 6

Call options were taken out on: 4/10/91 Colorgen, Evode, Albert Fisher, FNFC, National Home Loans, Proteus.
Put: Kunick.

WORLD MARKETS

Dow slips in early dealings

New York — Shares reversed a firm opening to suffer a modest loss in early trading. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 4 points to 2,980.79.

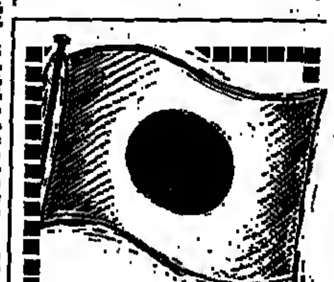
☐ **Sydney** — The market closed barely higher in light trading, but performed better than expected after overnight falls in New York and London. A weaker Australian dollar and continued hopes of an easing in monetary policy were cited by brokers as reasons for the market holding steady.

The all-ordinaries index closed at 1,587.1, up 2.1 points. Another broker said the market drifted higher on mioor huying orders. The all-industrials index agaio led the way, rising 7.9 points to 2,455.5. The all-resources eased back 2.3 to 922.3.

The News Corporation was 5 cents higher at Aus$11.50. On Thursday, the Capital Group of America said it had acquired more than 9 per cent of News Corp.

☐ **Tokyo** — Shares ended easier hut off their lows. The Nikkei iodex was down 114.54 points, or 0.46 per cent, to 24,596.90. The Nikkei has gained 627.43 poiots, or 2.62 per cent, on the week.

☐ **Hong Kong** — Prices ended lower oo profit-taking and after several blue chips went ex-dividend. The Hang Seng index eased 25.72 points to 4,067.69. *(Reuter)*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UNIT LINKED INSURANCE INVESTMENTS

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE 401, St John Street, London EC1V 4QE 071-837 6494				
Life Funds				
Squirrel	15.80	16.32	+0.02	..
Bear	15.84	16.47	+0.11	..
Owl	15.80	16.64	+0.18	..
Bull	14.39	15.15	+0.09	..
Stag	14.97	15.76	+0.09	..
Gilt Edged	14.85		+0.08	..
Deposit	13.78		+0.01	..
Pensions				
Squirrel	19.83	20.88	+0.04	..
Bear	19.95	21.01	+0.20	..
Owl	20.22	21.29	+0.27	..
Bull	17.53	18.46	+0.14	..
Stag	17.80	18.53	+0.14	..
Gilt Edged	17.8		+0.1	..
Deposit	16.78		+0.02	..
Exempt App Mixed	186.1	191.6	+2.12	..
ABBEY LIFE 80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0202 292373				
Property Fund Inc	274.9	289.4	..	..
Do Accum	446.5	470.1	..	..
Equity Fund Income	137.0	145.2	+0.9	..
Do Accum	169.2	178.2	+1.2	..
Selective Fund	374.9	394.7	+1.0	..
Money Fund	318.7	335.5	+0.5	..
Prop Fd Ser 4	357.2	376.0	..	..
Equity Ser 4	170.5	179.5	+1.3	..
Man Ser 4	492.7	518.7	+2.4	..
Conv Ser 4	281.0	295.5	+0.4	..
Money Ser 4	281.4	296.3	+0.4	..
Fixed Int Fd Ser 4	271.9	286.3	+1.8	..
American Ser 4	349.9	367.3	-2.2	..
High Inc Ser 4	513.2	540.3	+6.7	..
Indexed Inv Ser 4	159.9	168.3	+0.2	..
Japan Ser 4	309.4	325.7	+7.9	..
ALBANY LIFE 3, Darkes Lane, Potters Bar 0707 42311				
Equity Fd Acc	£12.25	12.89	+0.02	..
European Fd Accum	253.9	267.2	-0.8	..
Fixed Int Acc	407.8	429.0	+1.8	..
Gtd Money Fd Acc	287.4	302.5	+0.3	..
Intl Man Fd Acc	427.7	450.2	+2.0	..
Int Fxd Int Fd Acc	240.7	253.4	+0.9	..
Japan Fund	269.5	283.6	+5.8	..
Nth American Fd Acc	229.1	241.1	-3.2	..
Prop Fd Acc	338.7	354.4	+0.3	..
Multiple Inv Acc	796.1	837.0	+8.7	..
ALLIED DUNBAR ASSURANCE Swindon SN1 1EL 0793-514514				
Fixed Int Dep Accum	321.0	338.8	+0.3	..
Equity Accum	£10.44	10.99	+0.06	..
Property Accum	487.3	513.0	-0.2	..
Far East Accum	203.3	214.0	+2.6	..
Managed Capital	435.0	457.8	+2.1	..
Do Accum	813.2	856.0	+4.1	..
Overseas Accum	724.6	762.6	+2.2	..
Gilt Edged Accum	372.4	392.0	+1.0	..
Amer Equity Accum	547.8	576.6	-6.5	..
Amer Man Accum	243.9	256.8	-2.5	..
Amer Prop Accum	129.0	135.5	-1.0	..
ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 10 Queens Terral Aberdeen AB9 1QJ Freephone 0800 833 580				
International	217.7	229.0	+0.71	..
High Income	189.2	199.2	..	..
Income & Growth	309.9	325.3	+2.43	..
Basic Resource	135.1	142.2	+1.25	..
American	200.0	210.5	+0.53	..
Japan & General	406.6	428.0	+2.75	..
Special Situations	256.4	269.9	+3.69	..
BARCLAYS LIFE 252, Romford Rd, London E7 9JB 081-534 5544				
Equity Accum	654.5	689.0	+6.0	..
Do Initial	481.6	507.0	+2.7	..
Gilt Edged Accum	288.8	304.1	+1.2	..
Do Initial	215.1	226.5	+0.9	..
International Accum	287.8	303.0	+0.2	..
Do Initial	212.9	224.2	+0.2	..
Managed Accum	406.5	427.9	+2.7	..
Do Initial	300.0	316.5	+1.4	..
Money Accum	251.1	264.4	+0.4	..
Do Initial	186.6	192.2	+0.1	..
Property Accum	282.0	296.9	+1.4	..
Do Initial	207.3	218.3	+0.8	..
America Accum	189.3	199.3	-1.7	..
Do Initial	142.7	150.3	-1.9	..
Australia Accum	159.6	168.0	-1.8	..
Do Initial	120.6	127.0	+1.5	..
Financial Accum	229.6	241.9	+0.3	..
Do Initial	173.0	182.2	+0.3	..
500 Accum	330.4	347.8	+2.2	..
Do Initial	245.5	258.5	+2.1	..
Japan &Gen Acc 2	314.5	331.1	+6.9	..
Do Initial 2	228.8	240.9	+1.1	..
Income Accum	394.3	415.1	+2.6	..
Do Initial	296.6	312.3	+0.2	..
Leisure Accum	195.5	205.8	+1.5	..
Special Sits Accum	156.7	165.0	-0.4	..
Univ Tech Accum	106.0	111.6	+0.4	..
Do Initial	84.7	89.0	+0.3	..
BLACK HORSE LIFE Mountbatten House Chatham Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834000				
The Managed Fund	606.71		+4.57	..
Income Fund	608.7	640.7	+3.94	..
Extra Income Fund	556.1	585.4	-3.49	..
Worldwide Grwth Fd	367.2	386.5	+0.22	..
Balanced Fund	523.6	551.2	+5.10	..
Smlr Co's & Rc Fd	518.9	544.1	+0.64	..
Int Technology Fund	330.4	347.2	-0.04	..
N Amer & Gen Fund	290.9	306.2	-0.70	..
Energy Int Fund	123.1	129.6	-0.09	..
Pacific Basin Fund	276.0	291.1	+1.14	..
German Growth Fd	169.3	178.2	-1.65	..
Japan Growth Fd	146.0	153.6	+0.03	..
The UK Gth Fd	176.3	185.6	+1.34	..
Cand Euro Gth	86.18	90.72	-0.25	..
Property Fund	318.5	335.3	+0.60	..
Fixed Interest Fund	246.7	259.7	+1.03	..
Cash Fund	245.4	258.4	+0.27	..
Managed Inv Fund	378.5	398.5	+2.95	..
Nth Amer Recov	175.9	185.1	-2.81	..
Abtrust Fund				
Managed Growth	316.2	332.9	+1.12	..

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
CANADA LIFE 2-6, High St, Potters Bar, Herts P Bar 51122				
Equity Growth	217.6			
Managed	248.1	261.2	+1.6	..
Property	180.1	189.6	..	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	182.5	192.1	+1.1	..
Index-Linked	150.6	158.6	+0.1	..
Equity	278.3	293.0	+2.3	..
Cash	190.1	200.2	+1.5	..
Can Life Euro Mg Fd	246.1	259.1	-1.5	..
Can Life Int Fd	254.3	267.7	-0.7	..
CANNON ASSURANCE 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081-902 8876				
Capital Gth Acc	101.4	107.3	-2.3	..
Equity Units	£39.07		+0.72	..
Property Units	£27.13		+0.14	..
Bal Bd Exec Unit	£50.37	53.30	+0.24	..
2nd Equity Accum	501.9	531.1	+3.4	..
2nd High Inc/Accum	493.9	522.6	+4.1	..
2nd Property Accum	248.8	263.4	+1.4	..
2nd Managed 2 Acc	142.1	150.4	+0.1	..
2nd Managed Acc	353.6	374.1	+1.7	..
2nd Managed 4 Acc	168.5	178.2	..	..
2nd Deposit Accum	244.0	258.2	+0.3	..
2nd Gilt Accum	234.5	248.1	+1.6	..
2nd Amer Accum	434.1	459.4	-7.7	..
2nd Intl Money Ac	207.6	219.0	-1.2	..
2nd Index Accum	149.6	158.3	+0.7	..
2nd Far East Accum	330.3	349.5	+8.5	..
2nd Global Accum	120.5	127.5	-1.1	..
2nd Euro Accum	116.4	123.2	-0.2	..
2nd Japan Accum	184.8	195.3	+6.2	..
2nd Heritage Acc	71.7	75.9	+0.1	..
2nd Intl Curr Bond	116.1	122.9	-0.3	..
CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE Sentry House, 500, Avebury Blvd, Cntl Milton Keynes MK9 2LA 0908-606101				
Property Fund	197.4	207.8	-0.8	..
Money Fund	324.6	341.7	+0.4	..
Managed Fund	458.5	482.6	+6.0	..
Equity Fund	270.6	284.8	+6.0	..
Fixed Interest Fund	175.0	184.3	..	..
Far East Fund	387.3	407.7	..	..
Nth Amer Fund	111.7	117.6	..	..
Nat Resources Fund	236.0	248.5	..	..
CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0272 230566				
Assurance Funds				
Sapphire Mixed	214.7	226.0	+0.8	..
Ruby	112.6	118.6	-0.2	..
Emerald	115.8	121.7	+0.2	..
Equity	259.9	273.6	+2.3	..
Property	179.8	189.3	..	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	161.9	170.4	+0.9	..
Indexed Secs	131.5	138.8	+0.1	..
Cash	180.0	189.4	+0.3	..
Nth American	151.5	159.5	-2.3	..
Far East	198.8	209.3	+2.9	..
International	163.8	172.3	+0.3	..
Special Sits	200.1	210.7	-2.4	..
Intl Income	218.9	230.6	+0.6	..
American Inc	129.8	136.7	-2.1	..
European	219.8	231.4	-3.1	..
Japanese	123.6	130.2	+4.5	..
SE Asia	178.6	188.0	-0.5	..
Home Inv WP Reg	127.8	134.7	+0.2	..
Home Inv WP Spec	127.0	134.7	+0.2	..
Flexible Retirement Plans Funds				
Mixed	220.0	231.6	+0.7	..
Equity	275.4	289.9	-3.4	..
Property	151.8	159.8	-0.3	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	181.1	190.7	+0.4	..
Index Linked	143.4	151.0	-0.2	..
Cash	203.3	214.0	+0.3	..
Nth American	178.2	187.6	-2.3	..
Far East Acc	224.9	236.8	+3.9	..
International Acc	199.8	210.4	+0.2	..
Special Sits	288.2	303.4	-3.1	..
European Fin	277.1	291.7	-3.9	..
COLONIAL MUTUAL 24 Ludgate Hill, London EC4P 4BD 071-248 9861				
CML U AssKey	190.84			..
CML U AssPecunia	257.56			..
CML U AssCash	179.0	188.4	+0.24	..
CML U AssEquity	425.1	447.5	+4.66	..
CML U AssR	264.2	278.2	+0.86	..
CML U AssMngd	309.4	325.7	+2.66	..
CML U AssProp	285.0	300.0	+2.66	..
CML(Pen)Cash Cap	190.4	200.5		..
CML(Pen)Cash Inv	249.3	262.4		..
CML(Pen)Eqty Cap	£11.74	12.35		..
CML(Pen)Eqty Inv	£15.36	16.17		..
CML(Pen)Fixd Cap	297.3	312.8		..
CML(Pen)Fxd Inv	389.2	409.7		..
CML(Pen)Indx Cap	172.7	181.6		..
CML(Pen)Indx Inv	228.1	240.0		..
CML(Pen)Man Cap	469.6	494.3		..
CML(Pen)Man Inv	614.7	647.1		..
COMMERCIAL UNION St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3 071-283 7500				
Var Ann Accum (6)	403.51			..
Var Ann (6)	78.12			..
Prime Managed	287.9	303.1	+1.8	..
Prime UK Equity	353.8	372.3	+3.1	..
Prime Intl Equity	200.7	211.3	+0.3	..
Prime Property	176.6	185.9	-0.2	..
Prime Fixed Interest	181.7	191.0	+1.1	..
Prime Index-Linked	136.6	143.8	-0.4	..
Prime Cash	177.5	187.6	+0.5	..
CONFEDERATION LIFE 50 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1HE 071-242 0282				
Managed Fund	864.8	910.3	..	..
Equity Fund	£12.45	13.10	..	..
PIP Fund	£40.673			
CROWN FINANCIAL Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 0483 715033				
Life Managed Acc	454.4	478.3	+1.9	..
Life Fixed Int Accum	293.8	309.2	+1.6	..
Life Equity Accum	616.8	649.2	+3.1	..
Life Money Accum	261.0	274.7	+0.6	..
Life Inv Trust Accum	575.2	605.4	+10.7	..
Life Intl Accum	387.6	408.2	+0.4	..
Life High Inc Accum	603.7	635.4	+10.2	..
Life Property Accum	221.4	233.0	+0.3	..
Crown Bill Inv A	944.3	1051.0		

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Brown Equity	568.0	597.8	+4.3	..
DBS Managed	249.8	262.9	+1.4	..
Growth Accum	281.0	295.7	..	..
CRUSADER INSURANCE Reigate Surrey RH2 8BL 0737 242424				
Measured perf	114.5	121.2	+0.3	..
Performance Plus	109.2	115.6	+0.2	..
With Profit Perf	137.2	145.2	+0.2	..
UK Opportunity	138.6	146.7	+0.2	..
Euro Opportunity	134.5	142.3	+0.3	..
North Amer Opp	94.5	100.0	-1.9	..
Far East Opp	122.6	129.7	-1.6	..
Gth Prop Series 1	164.3	173.0		..
Gth Prop Series 2	152.2	161.1	+0.1	..
Fixed Int	138.7	144.7	+0.2	..
Cash	136.5	144.4	+0.2	..
Managed Pens	448.6	468.6	..	..
Overseas	119.6	126.9	..	..
EAGLE STAR LIFE ASSURANCE Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ 0242 221311				
Secure Fund	151.2	159.2	+0.1	..
Blue Chip Fund	187.3	197.2	+1.4	..
Do Series 2	118.3	124.6	+0.8	..
Adventurous Fund	167.5	176.4	+2.0	..
Do Series 2	123.2	129.7	+1.5	..
Performance Fund	183.8	193.5	+0.3	..
Do Series 2	116.5	122.7	+0.5	..
UK Pref Fixt Int	113.2	119.2	+0.5	..
UK Equity Fund	117.1	123.3	+0.7	..
Property Fund	100.1	105.4	..	..
Environmt Opps	115.3	121.4	+1.7	..
Euro Fund	103.8	109.3	-0.8	..
North Amer Fund	129.8	136.7	-2.9	..
Oriental Ops	111.6	117.4	-0.9	..
Japanese Fund	110.9	116.8	+2.7	..
Bil & West Life	103.4	108.9	+0.1	..
Bil & West Pen	107.4	113.1	+0.2	..
EAGLE STAR/MIDLAND 1 Threadneedle St, London EC2 01-588 1212				
Eagle/Midland Units	218.9	228.8	+3.0	4.14
EQUITY & LAW Amersham Road, High Wycombe 0494 463403				
Reserve	119.7	125.9	+0.3	..
Belced (Mixd)	535.3	563.4	+3.0	..
Opportunity	115.0	121.5	+0.3	..
UK Equities	748.9	788.3	+4.1	..
Higher Inv	755.5	795.2	+5.6	..
North Amer	314.9	331.4	-2.6	..
Far East	388.2	408.5	+6.6	..
Europe	279.4	294.1	-1.9	..
Intl	402.8	423.9	+0.7	..
Property	462.4	486.7	..	..
Fixed Int	320.9	337.7	+1.1	..
Ind-Lnkd Sec	143.5	151.4	-0.2	..
G'teed Depst	254.1	267.4	+0.4	..
FRIENDS' PROVIDENT Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH 0722 413366				
Managed (Mixed)	222.5	235.3	+2.3	..
UK Equity	298.0	313.7	+5.7	..
Stewardship	254.7	268.2	+4.8	..
Overseas Equity	195.4	205.7	-0.4	..
North American	108.5	114.3	-1.9	..
Pacific Basin	103.3	108.8	+0.4	..
European	142.7	150.3	-0.3	..
Property	191.8	202.1	-1.1	..
Fixed Interest	163.3	171.9	+1.5	..
Index Linked	128.1	134.9	+0.3	..
Cash	170.8	179.8	+0.1	..
GT MANAGEMENT 8th Floor 8 Devonshire Square London EC2M 4YJ 071-283 2575				
GT Plan Bond Fund	182.8	192.3	..	..
GT Plan High Yield	274.7	289.2	..	..
GT Plan Far East	275.4	289.9	+6.3	..
GT Plan North Amer	149.7	157.6	..	..
GT Plan UK & GE	369.3	388.8	..	..
GT Plan Worldwide	302.4	318.4	+3.7	..
GENERAL ACCIDENT 2, Rougier Street, York YO1 1HR 0904 628982				
Managed	154.7	162.7	+1.4	..
Unitised with Profit				
UK Equity	211.2	222.2	+2.9	..
Fixed Int	158.0	164.1	+0.4	..
Index-Linked	130.6	137.4		..
Cash Deposit	152.0	159.9	+0.2	..
Property	180.1	189.4	+0.1	..
International	142.5	149.6	+0.3	..
American	118.9	125.0	-1.4	..
Japan	215.6	227.6	+3.9	..
Japan Smlr Co's	228.6	238.4	+4.2	..
European	136.9	144.0	-0.1	..
Pacific Fund	138.2	145.4	-0.8	..
Conv Life	119.7	126.8	+0.7	..
GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE General Portfolio Hse, Harlow Essex CM20 2EW 0279 626262				
Portfolio Fd Acc	593.3		+1.2	..
Do Init	337.1		+0.5	..
Do Inv s	560.2	589.8	+1.3	..
UK Equity	324.6	341.8	+2.4	..
Smaller Cos	172.0	181.1	..	..
Gilt Plus	163.1	171.6	+0.5	..
Do Gt	142.7	150.3	..	..
Managed	240.5	253.2	+0.5	..
Inter Man	210.3	221.5	+0.1	..
GRESHAM UNIT 2-6, Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth 0202 752000				
Managed Bond	561.6	591.1	+4.5	..
Money Fund	274.2	288.6	+0.3	..
Equity Fund	504.4	531.5	+6.7	..
Fixed Interest Fund	215.0	226.8	+0.5	..
Property Fund	305.2	321.6	..	..
Gresham Framlington				
American & General	370.9	390.6	-2.9	..
Income	567.4	597.9	-3.2	..
International Grwth	430.0	452.4	-4.1	..
Capital Fund	498.8	525.5	+6.2	..
Recovery Fund	410.6	432.7	+0.7	..
Japan & General	257.3	280.1	+2.8	..
GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE Royal Exchange London EC3 071-283 7101				
Ass Prop Bds	668.8	698.4	+0.5	..
Managed Initial	371.6	391.2	-2.7	..
Do Accum	493.4	518.4	-3.4	..

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Equity Initial	581.0	600.5	+0.6	..
Do Accum	744.9	784.1	+1.2	..
Fixed Int Initial	339.7	357.6	-1.1	..
Do Accum	461.0	474.8	-1.3	..
Intl Initial	347.0	365.9	-2.3	..
Do Accum	465.1	489.6	-2.9	..
Nth Amer Initial	129.4	136.2	-3.8	..
Do Accum	156.4	164.6	-4.5	..
Pacific Initial	191.6	201.9	-1.1	..
Do Accum	229.6	241.7	-1.2	..
Property Initial	161.4	169.9	-1.3	..
Do Accum	214.2	225.5	-1.3	..
Index-Linked Initial	134.3	141.4	-0.2	..
Do Accum	162.3	170.8	-0.2	..
Deposit Initial	180.5	190.0	+0.1	..
Do Accum	239.7	252.3	+0.3	..
Euro Initial	78.4	82.6	..	..
Do Accum	87.6	92.2	..	..
HAMBRO GUARDIAN ASSURANCE 41 Tower Hill London EC3N 4HA 071-702 9961				
Managed	128.5	135.2	+0.3	..
Do Pens	144.3	151.8	+0.4	..
UK Equity	119.9	126.2	+1.2	..
Do Pens	125.5	132.1	+1.2	..
International	104.6	110.1	+0.1	..
Do Pens	107.1	112.7	+0.1	..
Deposit	122.3	128.7	+0.2	..
Do Pens	137.3	144.5	+0.3	..
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION 3, Finsbury Ave London EC2M 2PA 071-638 5757				
UK Equity Fd	321.2	338.0	+4.3	..
North America Fund	259.4	272.9	-4.7	..
Far East Fund	385.6	407.6	+3.5	..
Global Managed	332.8	351.3	+1.9	..
Deposit Fund	196.6	207.6	+0.5	..
Prime Residential	136.7	143.9	..	..
European Fund	190.0	200.6	-1.4	..
Fixed Interest	68.4	72.2	+0.2	..
HILL SAMUEL LIFE NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081-686 4355				
Security Fund	385.1	407.6	+3.8	..
British Fund	407.6	430.7	+4.3	..
International Fund	377.2	399.2	-3.4	..
Dollar Fund	264.7	280.2	-3.2	..
Capital Fund	360.7	381.7	+2.7	..
Income Fund	530.2	561.1	+3.1	..
Property Series 'A'	381.2	403.4	+4.8	..
Property Units	613.0	643.7	+7.6	..
Financial Fund	207.6	[illegible]	-1.8	..
Managed Series 'A'	417.9	442.3	+3.7	..
Do 'C'	253.9	268.7	+2.2	..
Managed Units	741.7	780.8	+6.5	..
High Yield Fund	512.4	542.3	+1.4	..
Money Series 'A'	245.8	260.2	+0.5	..
Money Units	321.4	338.4	+0.5	..
Equity Fund	470.7	498.1	+4.6	..
Fixed Interest Fund	279.8	296.2	+1.5	..
Indexed Secs Fund	142.8	150.9	-0.3	..
European Fund	537.9	569.3	-0.6	..
Natural Res Fund	209.6	221.8	-0.2	..
Far East Fund	444.8	470.7	+7.9	..
Smaller Co's Fund	336.4	355.0	+4.2	..
Special Sits Fund	368.7	389.1	+8.0	..
Man Currency Fund	215.1	227.7	-0.2	..
Japanese Tech	229.5	242.9	+7.0	..
US Smaller Co's	148.2	156.9	-0.1	..
IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE Irish Life Centre Victoria St, St Albans Hertfordshire AL1 5TF 0727 46161				
Global Managed 3	433.1	455.9	+5.4	..
Global Property 3	258.5	272.1	+8.2	..
Global Fixed Int 3	394.0	414.7	+1.6	..
Global Equity 3	492.6	518.4	+7.4	..
Global Cash 3	183.9	193.6	+0.2	..
LAS GROUP 10, George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2YH 031-225 6484				
Managed Fund	261.9	275.7	+2.2	..
UK Equity	442.8	466.2	+4.4	..
Property	283.5	298.5	+1.6	..
Money Market	218.3	229.8	+0.5	..
Fixed Interest	257.8	271.4	+1.0	..
Japan	313.0	329.5	+7.0	..
North America	117.2	123.4	-1.6	..
International	188.2	198.4	..	..
European	185.1	194.9	-0.1	..
Far East	86.5	91.1	-2.6	..
Special Sits	76.1	80.2	..	..
LAURENTIAN LIFE Barnwood Gloucester GL4 7RZ 0452 371371				
Managed	321.2	338.1	+1.8	..
Gtd Mgd	401.7	422.8	+1.2	..
Property	474.8	499.3	+0.3	..
American	280.6	295.4	-4.0	..
UK Equity Fd	349.2	367.5	+2.4	..
Japan	171.5	180.6	+4.7	..
Index-Lkd	149.3	157.2	+0.5	..
High Yield	659.5	697.9	+1.0	..
Gilt Edged	343.6	361.7	+1.1	..
Money	348.3	364.5	+0.3	..
International	287.9	303.0	+0.7	..
Henderson Active	161.5	170.2	+0.1	..
Perpetual Active	209.0	220.0	+0.1	..
Growth Cap	338.2	356.0	..	..
Do Acc	497.5	523.8	+2.1	..
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT ASSURANCE 2, Montefiore Rd, Hove, Sussex BN3 1SE 0273 724000				
Bldg Soc Lnkd Init	129.1	135.9	+0.1	..
Do Accum	160.8	169.3	+0.2	..
Brit Opps Int	112.9	118.9	-0.1	..
Do Accum	127.4	134.2	+0.2	..
Cash Initial	156.0	165.4	-0.2	..
Do Accum	247.3	260.4	+0.1	..
Equity Initial	542.5	571.1	+3.0	..
Do Accum	848.0	893.7	+6.2	..
Fixed Initial	291.5	306.9	-0.2	..
Do Accum	456.2	480.3	-0.2	..
Index-Linked Gilt	113.7	119.7	-0.6	..
Do Accum	151.6	159.6	-0.4	..
Intl Initial	262.7	276.6	-0.3	..
Do Accum	404.9	426.2	+0.7	..
Managed Initial	386.7	407.1	+1.4	..
Do Accum	605.2	637.1	+3.8	..
Property Initial	191.1	201.2	-0.3	..
Do Accum	299.1	314.9	+0.5	..
LEGAL & GENERAL PROPERTY 11, Queen Vic St London EC4N 4TP 071-248 9678				
L & G (20)	283.5	292.9	..	..
LONDON LIFE 100, Temple Street, Bristol BS1 6EA 0272 279179				
Equity	730.4		+10.8	..
Fixed Interest	337.4		+0.5	..
Property	353.5		-1.5	..

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Deposit	250.3		+0.3	..
Mixed	487.8		+4.3	..
Indexed Stock	185.4		+0.4	..
International	209.1		+0.5	..
Equity A	170.3		+2.5	..
Fixed Int A	137.1		+0.4	..
Property A	166.1		+0.7	..
Deposit A	147.8		+0.2	..
Mixed A	154.2		+1.4	..
Index Stock A	130.1		+0.3	..
International A	131.3		+0.3	..
Equity P	578.9		+9.9	..
Fixed Int P	389.7		+1.1	..
Property P	272.0		-1.8	..
Deposit P	279.9		+0.5	..
Mixed P	410.6		+4.5	..
Index Stock P	188.6		+0.5	..
International P	231.3		+1.0	..
LON & MANCHESTER GROUP Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 52155				
Inv Trust Cap	470.5		+2.7	..
Do Accum	886.1		+4.4	..
Property Cap	177.6		+0.3	..
Do Accum	251.9		+1.6	..
Fixed Interest Cap	175.7		+0.5	..
Do Accum	249.6		+1.3	..
Equity Cap	281.8		+3.2	..
Do Accum	402.3		+3.0	..
International Cap	198.4		..	..
Do Accum	278.2		+0.2	..
Gtd Deposit Cap	187.7		+0.1	..
Do Accum	235.8		+0.3	..
Flexible Cap	309.2		+2.4	..
Do Accum	439.4		+3.8	..
Moneymaker Fund	354.1		+0.1	..
Capital Growth Fund	£12.527		+0.14	..
M & G Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 071-626 4588				
Amer Bond Acc	286.9	301.3	-6.2	..
Amer Rec Bond	290.8	305.4	-6.8	..
Amer Smlr Co Bond	153.9	161.7	-1.1	..
Australasia Bond	145.2	153.3	+1.9	..
Commodity Bond	192.1	201.8	-1.6	..
Deposit Bond Acc	312.9	328.6	+0.3	..
Equity Bond Accum	£10.31	10.82	-0.00	..
European Bond Acc	252.9	265.7	-1.7	..
Extra Yld Bd Accum	526.4	554.8	+2.2	..
Far East Bd Accum	170.0	178.6	+0.5	..
Gilt Bond Accum	336.3	353.2	+2.1	..
Gold Bond Accum	80.4	84.5	+0.9	..
High Yield Bond	293.1	307.8	+1.0	6.23
Index-Linked Gt Bd	168.6	177.1	+0.3	..
International Bond	618.4	644.4	+0.4	..
Japan Bond Acc	240.6	252.9	+8.5	..
Japan Smlr Co Acc	216.8	227.5	+2.6	..
Managed Bonds	615.0	646.3	+3.8	..
Prop Bond Accum	296.6	311.0	..	..
Rec Bond Accum	526.7	553.1	+6.9	..
MGM ASSURANCE MGM Hse Heene Rd, Worthing BN11 2DY 0903 204631				
UK Equity Fund	202.9	213.6	+1.5	..
Do Accum	257.2	270.8	+2.4	..
Special Sits Fund	97.1	102.3	-0.2	..
Do Accum	123.1	129.6	-0.2	..
North American Fd	147.7	155.5	-1.7	..
Do Accum	187.2	197.1	-2.1	..
Pacific Basin Fund	288.7	303.9	+3.7	..
Do Accum	366.0	385.3	+4.9	..
Fixed Interest Fund	243.2	256.0	-0.8	..
Do Accum	308.6	324.9	-0.7	..
Property Fund	159.4	168.8	-1.0	..
Do Accum	200.9	211.5	-1.6	..
Deposit Fund	139.7	147.1	+0.1	..
Do Accum	177.9	187.3	+0.2	..
Managed Fund	217.7	229.2	+1.9	..
Do Accum	258.0	271.6	+1.1	..
MANUFACTURERS LIFE St Georges Way, Stevenage 0438 356101				
Managed Fund	529.1	556.9	..	..
Property Fund	443.7	467.1	..	..
Equity Fund	660.7	695.5	..	..
Gilt Edged Fund	461.9	486.1	..	..
Deposit Fund	284.4	299.4	..	..
Investment Fund	279.9	293.6	..	..
International Fund	407.3	428.7	..	..
MERCHANT INVESTORS Leon House, 233 High St Croydon 081-686 9171				
Property	486.4	512.0	-0.3	..
Equity Bond	258.9	272.5	+3.8	..
Money Market Bond	418.2	440.2	+0.5	..
Deposit Fund	322.5	339.4	+0.4	..
Managed Fund	378.4	398.3	+2.8	..
Intl Equity	397.4	418.3	+0.6	..
Intl Managed	384.6	404.8	+1.4	..
North American	151.1	159.0	-3.0	..
Far East	303.2	319.1	+0.5	..
Intl Currency	220.5	232.1	-0.5	..
NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Enterprise Hse, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
Equity	121.4	127.7	+1.9	..
Fixed Interest	418.0	441.5	+1.4	..
Managed	564.4	594.1	+5.8	..
Deposit	291.8	307.1	+0.4	..
Overseas	93.5	98.4	-211.9	..
Property	361.6	380.5	+0.1	..
American	312.0	328.4	-0.7	..
Australian	354.9	373.5	+4.1	..
European	390.8	411.3	-3.7	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	216.6	228.0	+0.6	..
Global Managed	114.3	120.3	+1.3	..
Income Accum	620.1	652.7	+4.0	..
Do Dist	417.0	439.4	+6.2	..
International	249.0	262.1	+0.6	..
Japan Smaller	526.0	553.6	+4.6	..
Singapore & Mal	155.1	163.2	-4.4	..
Smaller Companies	361.1	380.1	+3.6	..
Tokyo Fund	604.9	636.7	+5.9	..
UK Equity	485.4	510.9	-11.8	..
CCM Vang'd Mgd	539.1	567.4	-1.3	..
Equity Pension Cap	769.3	809.7	+13.1	..
Overseas Pension	286.8	301.6	+0.5	..
NATIONAL PROVIDENT 48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH 071-623 4200				
Managed	361.2	380.3	+1.2	..
UK Equity	461.7	486.1	+4.1	..
Overseas Equity	345.4	363.6	-1.5	..
American	264.4	280.4	-4.1	..
Far East	378.8	398.8	+6.3	..
Property	194.9	205.2	+0.3	..
Fixed Interest	269.4	283.6	+0.4	..
Indexed Gilt	160.6	169.1	+0.1	..
Deposit	186.0	195.8	+0.2	..
NORWICH UNION PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG 0603 622200				

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Managed Fund	£10.44	10.99	+0.04	..
Equity Fund	£22.59	23.78	+0.18	..
Property Fund (3)	509.9	536.5	-4.1	..
Fixed Int Fund (3)	465.1	489.6	+2.1	..
Deposit Fund (3)	294.1	309.6	+0.4	..
Unit Fund (8)	168.7	177.6	-0.1	..
Unit-Linked Plus	£11.2846		..	..
PEARL ASSURANCE Fund Assurance Hse, Thorpe Wood Peterborough PE3 6SA 0733 63212				
Inv Prop Dist	140.7	148.2	+0.2	..
Do Accum	254.5	267.6	+0.6	..
Inv Equity	894.8	941.7	+9.5	..
Inv Managed	616.1	648.5	+2.3	..
Ret Managed	669.5	704.8	+2.2	..
PHOENIX ASSURANCE 4-5, King William St, EC4N 7ER 071-626 9876				
Wealth Assured	480.8	511.1	+5.0	..
Ebor Phoenix Equity	403.1	428.2	..	..
PROLIFIC LIFE & PENSIONS LTD Bridge Mills Stramongate Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4UB 0539 733733				
Managed Fund	594.7	622.1	-2.0	..
Cash Fund	289.5	305.1	..	..
Property Fund	210.9	224.4	..	..
Equity Fund	676.3	719.5	-2.2	..
Fxd Interest Fund	331.2	349.1	+1.1	..
International	318.5	336.2	-1.5	..
High Income	503.3	535.5	+2.9	..
Far East	383.5	408.0	+0.5	..
North American	301.3	320.6	-3.1	..
Special Sits	548.9	584.0	+4.0	..
Technology	290.6	309.2	+0.7	..
Extra Income Fund	290.2	308.6	+3.0	..
Gilt Fund 20	372.2	396.0	+2.0	..
European	105.0	111.6	+0.2	..
Adventurous Mgd	133.6	142.2	+0.4	..
Secure Mgd	106.8	113.7	+0.5	..
Equity Inc Dist	96.9	103.1●	+0.6	..
Managed Dist	94.1	100.2	+0.2	..
PROPERTY GROWTH Leon House, Croydon CR9 1LU 081-680 0606				
Property Fund	437.1		+0.2	..
Property Fund (A)	412.8		+0.3	..
Agricultural Fund	698.1		+0.4	..
Agric Fund (A)	641.9		+0.3	..
Abbey Nat Fund	347.7		+0.2	..
Abbey Nat Fund (A)	371.7		+0.2	..
Investment Fund	261.8		+2.2	..
Investment Fund (A)	252.5		+2.1	..
Equity Fund	995.6		+15.1	..
Equity (A)	959.5		+12.8	..
Money Fund	397.8		+0.2	..
Money Fund (A)	382.9		+0.3	..
Actuarial Fund	450.0		+3.5	..
Gilt-Edged Fund	301.1		+1.3	..
Gilt-Edged Fund (A)	301.1		+1.3	..
Retire Annuity	882.9		+5.7	..
Immed Annuity	298.5		..	..
International Fund	480.3		-0.4	..
Bldg Soc Life Fund	194.6		+0.1	..
PROVIDENCE CAPITAL 30, Uxbridge Rd, W12 8PG 081-749 9111				
Equity Fund Accum	233.1	245.9	+0.2	..
Fixed Interest Acc	185.4	195.7	+1.2	..
International Accum	174.9	184.5	+2.7	..
Managed Accum	177.0	187.2	+0.5	..
Property Accum	226.5	239.0	..	..
Money Accum	131.8	139.1	+0.1	..
Special Mkt Accum	148.3	156.5	-0.1	..
Japan Equity Acc	105.0	110.8	+2.5	..
N Amer Accum	102.6	108.3	-1.6	..
Pacific Accum	89.4	93.6	+0.5	..
Technology Accum	123.2	130.0	-1.2	..
Natural Res Accum	53.0	56.0	+0.2	..
European Accum	101.0	106.6	-0.6	..
PROVIDENT MUTUAL 25/31, Moorgate London EC2R 6BA 071-628 3232				
Managed Ord	357.4	376.2	+1.0	..
Managed Initial	267.5	281.7	+0.7	..
Equity Ord	528.6	556.3	+2.4	..
Equity Init	394.8	415.6	+1.6	..
Index-Lnkd Gilt Ord	158.7	167.1	..	..
Index Linked Gilt Init	123.8	130.3	-0.1	..
Overs Equity Ord	284.3	299.3	+0.2	..
Overs Equity Initial	212.4	223.6	+0.1	..
Property Ord	213.7	224.0	+0.2	..
Property Initial	159.7	168.1	+0.1	..
Fixed Int Ord	212.6	223.8	+0.6	..
Fixed Int Initial	158.9	167.3	+0.5	..
Deposit Ord	177.5	186.8	+0.2	..
Deposit Initial	132.8	139.8	+0.1	..
PRUDENTIAL Holborn Bars, EC1N 2NH 071-405 9222				
Managed	261.6	272.6	+2.7	..
PRUDENTIAL HOLBORN LIFE LTD 30 Old Burlington Street London W1X 1LB 071-439 3194				
Managed Fund	566.8	596.7	+10.2	..
Equity Fund	£11.60	12.21	+0.17	..
Intl Fund	390.0	410.6	+2.1	..
Fixed Interest Fund	441.7	465.0	+2.4	..
Property Fund	358.8	377.7	-1.6	..
Cash Fund	314.0	330.6	+6.9	..
Pacific Basin Fd	219.4	231.0	+6.5	..
N American Fd	147.4	155.2	-0.6	..
Euro Fund	183.4	193.1	-0.9	..
Balanced Fund	116.6	122.6	+0.5	..
Strategic Fund	117.4	123.6	+0.5	..
REGENCY LIFE ASS CO 55-57 High Holborn London WC1V 6DU 071-831 7481				
Series 2 Man Fund	321.0	338.7	+1.0	..
Series 2 Equity Fund	412.9	437.0	+2.4	..
Series 2 Prop Fund	399.0	421.2	+0.7	..
Series 2 Fix Int Fund	246.8	261.2	+0.8	..
Series 2 Money Fd	216.6	229.3	+0.4	..
Series 2 O'seas Fd	232.8	246.4	-0.6	..
Tulip Invest Fund	346.0	364.2	+1.5	..
Tulip Mangd Fund	399.4	422.7	+1.2	..
Mngd Inv Fd Int	265.6	281.3	+0.8	..
Do Accum	327.6	346.9	+1.1	..
ROYAL HERITAGE LIFE ASSURANCE LTD 20, Clifford Street, London EC3A 4HX 071-920 0802 0733 282634				
Multi Growth (45)	858.2		..	..
Multi Growth 'A' (48)	382.5	402.9	..	..
Op 5 Prop	366.0	385.5	..	..
Op 5 Equity	797.8	839.8	+10.7	..

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Op 5 High Yield	429.7	462.4	+1.8	..
Op 5 Managed	602.6	634.4	+8.6	..
Op 5 Deposit	339.9	356.8	+0.4	11.50
Amer Smaller	123.6	130.2	-2.3	..
Extra Inc	143.1	150.7	+0.3	..
Far East	180.2	189.7	+0.2	..
Gold Gen	31.6	32.7	+0.3	..
Inc Gth	269.0	283.2	+2.6	..
Japan Perf	235.3	247.7	+2.1	..
Japan Smlr	202.2	212.9	+1.6	..
Nat High	240.8	253.5	+2.5	..
Prop Shs	134.0	141.1	+1.6	..
Smaller Cos	197.4	207.8	+1.9	..
Managed Gth	204.1	214.9	+0.7	..
Gilt	72.3	76.2	+0.4	..
Amer (35.24)	166.7	175.5	-3.0	..
British	262.4	287.8	+3.3	..
Extra Inc	188.1	198.0	+0.4	..
Intl Fixed Int	97.6	102.5	+0.8	..
Global (35.34)	283.2	288.6	..	..
Gold Shs	53.8	56.7	-0.8	..
High Income	246.1	259.1	-7.6	..
Income	327.7	345.0	+3.6	..
Japan	321.3	339.3	+8.5	..
UK Sel Opps	211.2	222.5	..	..
UK Smlr Co's	288.8	303.9	+1.5	..
Man Growth	335.4	353.1	+0.7	..
ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051-227 4422				
Royal Shield Fund	724.2	765.3	+6.4	..
Royal Life Unit Linked				
Managed Fund	292.3	307.5	+2.5	..
Equity Fund	405.8	427.1	+4.3	..
Property Fund	222.6	234.3	-0.1	..
International Fund	324.1	341.1	+2.6	..
Pacific Basin Fund	195.9	206.2	+4.1	..
United States Fund	151.4	159.3	-1.7	..
Gilt Fund	270.8	285.0	+1.8	..
SAVE & PROSPER 1, Finsbury Ave London EC2M 2QY 0708 766966				
Bal Inv Fund	579.7	613.5	+1.7	..
Deposit Fund (2)	315.8	334.2	..	..
Gilt Fund	387.4	410.0	+1.4	..
Global Equity Fund	175.6	185.9	+1.0	..
Property Fund (46)	82.8	87.6 s	..	..
AG Bond Fund	122.8	130.0	+0.8	..
SCOTTISH AMICABLE 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow 041-248 2323				
Equity	460.8	485.1	+2.1	..
Fixed Interest	275.5	290.1	+1.5	..
Index-Linked	152.0	160.0	-0.2	..
International	304.1	320.2	+1.6	..
Property	227.0	239.6	-0.9	..
Cash	198.3	208.8	+0.1	..
Managed	351.3	369.8	+1.6	..
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28, St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 556 9101				
Cash	155.0	163.1	+0.12	..
Index-Linked	126.2	132.8	+0.2	..
Fixed Interest	143.8	151.4	+5.6	..
Mixed	194.7	204.9	-0.4	..
UK Equity	194.0	204.2	+0.7	..
International	194.0	204.2	-1.3	..
American	166.2	174.9	-2.7	..
Japan	211.9	222.1	+4.9	..
European	202.8	213.5	-4.4	..
Pacific	231.0	243.2	+1.9	..
Technology	228.4	239.3	-1.0	..
Foreign Bd/Currency	169.8	178.7	+0.2	..
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh EH2 1YE 031-225 2211				
Property	174.4	183.7	-0.3	..
UK Equity	280.3	295.1●	+2.6	..
American	171.9	180.1●	-3.7	..
Pacific	240.6	253.4●	+4.4	..
European	319.3	336.2	+0.3	..
International	217.7	229.3	+0.7	..
Fixed Interest	177.2	186.6	-0.3	..
Index Linked	159.1	167.6	-0.4	..
Deposit	165.2	174.0	+0.2	..
Managed	217.3	228.8	+1.2	..
Worldwide	92.1	97.1	-0.9	..
Pen Worldwide	93.5	98.5	-0.9	..
SCOTTISH MUTUAL ASSURANCE 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041-248 6321				
Flex Fund (55)	£13.17	13.58	..	..
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENTS 109, St Vincent St, Glasgow 041-248 6321				
Salary Fund	178.7	188.2	+0.1	..
Growth Fund	179.6	189.3	+0.1	..
Opportunity Fund	177.8	187.3	-0.4	..
Cash Fund	150.0	157.9	+0.2	..
European Fund	249.3	262.5	-0.1	..
Gilts & Fxd Int Fund	147.6	155.4	+0.4	..
Index-Linked Fund	140.1	147.0	-0.3	..
International Fund	207.1	218.0	-1.5	..
North American Fd	176.2	185.5	-3.2	..
Property Fund	125.4	132.0	-1.1	..
UK Equity	192.6	202.2	+1.9	..
UK Smaller	190.7	200.8	+0.3	..
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT 6 St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031-556 9181				
Mixed	204.9	215.8	+1.4	..
Equity	219.8	231.5	+2.8	..
International	206.6	217.6	+0.2	..
Property	200.3	210.9	-3.5	..
Fixed Interest	169.2	178.2	+0.7	..
Index Linked	142.8	150.5	+0.4	..
Cash	163.2	171.0	+0.2	..
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031-655 6000				
Inv Pol 1	761.3		+7.0	..
Inv Pol 2	698.2	735.0	+0.6	..
Inv Pol 3	672.7	708.2	+6.0	..
Inv Cash	265.5	280.6	+0.1	..
Mixed Fund	359.8	378.8	+1.7	..
Equity Fund	446.9	470.6	+4.1	..
Property Fund	211.0	222.7	-0.4	..
International Fund	356.7	375.6	-0.8	..
Fixed Interest Fund	271.6	286.4	+1.0	..
Indexed Stock Fund	156.6	165.1	+0.4	..
Cash Fund	195.1	205.5	+0.8	..
SKANDIA LIFE Frobisher Hse, Nelsons Gate, Southampton SO9 7BX 0703 334411				
Managed Accum	287.8	302.9	+1.1	..

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Equity Accum	339.8	357.6	+1.1	..
International Accum	252.8	266.1	+0.7	..
Property	215.4	226.7	+0.1	..
Royal Trust Mngd	185.3	195.0	+1.1	..
STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO 3, George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031-225-2552				
Cash	232.8	245.1	+0.3	..
Equity	776.4	817.6	+8.4	..
European	118.1	124.4	-0.2	..
Far East	119.6	125.9	+2.2	..
Fixed Interest	295.9	311.6	+0.6	..
Index Linked	160.6	169.1	-0.2	..
International	438.7	461.8	+1.6	..
Managed	533.6	561.7	+4.3	..
Nth American	115.7	121.8	-0.9	..
Property	292.6	308.0	+0.1	..
Pension Funds				
Cash	346.1	364.4	+0.6	..
Equity	£10.77	11.34	+0.12	..
European	135.5	142.7	-0.5	..
Far East	92.6	97.5	+2.2	..
Fixed Interest	381.2	401.5	+1.5	..
Index Linked	219.7	231.3	-0.3	..
International	586.8	617.7	+2.1	..
Managed	716.9	754.7	+5.9	..
Nth American	134.5	141.6	-1.4	..
Property	365.9	385.2	-0.5	..
Stock Exchange	181.3	189.8	+1.4	..
SUN ALLIANCE Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 64141				
Managed Fund	495.7	521.8	+4.4	..
Equity Fund	690.7	727.1	+9.8	..
Fixed Interest Fund	323.5	340.6	+1.5	..
Index Linked Fund	241.9	254.7	+0.1	..
Property Fund	386.8	407.2	+0.2	..
International Fund	440.0	463.2	-0.4	..
N American Fund	143.1	150.7	-1.6	..
Far East Fund	145.7	153.4	+0.4	..
Deposit Fund	253.0	266.4	+0.1	..
International Bond	£56.22		+0.17	..
Worldwide Bond	116.2	122.4	+0.4	..
Worldwide Fincl	72.4	76.3	..	..
Worldwide Tech	85.7	90.8	..	..
European	111.6	117.6	-0.2	..
SUN LIFE OF CANADA Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing 0256-841414				
Growth Account	£11.266		+0.15	..
Managed Account	836.3		-0.8	..
Equity Account	907.6		-1.8	..
Mngd Fund Accum	297.0	313.2	-0.4	..
Equity Fund Accum	403.7	425.0	-17.0	..
Prop Fund Accum	233.5	245.6	+0.2	..
Fixed Int Fd Acc	230.9	243.1	-2.0	..
Money Fund Accum	179.7	189.1	+0.2	..
Indx-Lnkd Scs Acc	163.7	172.3	-0.3	..
Pens Pens Account	£13.656		+0.12	..
Pens Mngd Account	635.1	668.6	+6.2	..
Pens Guarantee	189.7	199.7	+0.3	..
Pens Equity	251.8	265.2	+4.0	..
Pens Property	209.7	220.8	+0.3	..
Pens Fixed Int	203.3	214.0	+0.8	..
Pens Intl	161.9	170.4	+0.3	..
Pens Money	193.7	203.9	+0.4	..
Pens Indx-Lnkd	152.4	160.4	+0.5	..
SUN LIFE UNIT St James Barton, Bristol BS99 7SL 0272 426911				
Managed Accum	650.5	684.0	+13.2	..
Property Accum	283.1	298.1	+0.7	..
Equity Accum	£10.47	11.02	+0.34	..
Fixed Int Accum	289.0	304.3	+1.6	..
Index-Linked Accum	155.8	164.0	-0.2	..
Cash Accum	265.8	279.8	+0.3	..
Amer Equity Accum	258.4	272.0	-0.6	..
US Bonds Accum	134.4	141.0	..	..
Japan Accum	254.4	267.8	+1.0	..
Pacific Accum	187.5	197.8	+2.8	..
Far Eastern Accum	494.8	520.9	+8.1	..
International Accum	360.9	379.0	+0.4	..
US Dollar Accum	81.0	85.3	..	..
Yen Accum	125.7	132.4	..	..
Euro Cur Accum	128.2	135.0	..	..
Distribution Fund	246.4	259.4	+1.2	7.50
European	127.8	134.1	-0.4	..
TSB LIFE LTD Keens House, Andover, Hants, SP10 1PG 0264 56789				
Managed Fund	218.5	230.1	-0.3	..
Property Fund	169.4	178.4	..	..
Fixed Interest Fund	172.8	182.0	+0.5	..
Money Fund	171.9	181.1	+0.2	..
Equity Fund	285.1	300.2	-1.0	..
TARGET LIFE Target House, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury Bucks Aylesbury (0296) 394000				
American Eagle	119.8	126.3	-3.4	..
Australian	24.2	25.5	-0.6	..
Deposit	218.4	230.0	+0.3	..
Residential Prop	95.5	100.6	..	..
Financial	213.0	224.3	-5.1	..
Fixed Interest	271.1	285.4	+0.3	..
Gold	60.5	63.7	-1.2	..
Income	305.7	321.8	-0.2	..
International Equity	300.2	316.0	-8.0	..
Japan	348.6	367.2	+3.9	..
Managed	474.7	499.7	-7.6	..
International Bond	90.2	95.0●	-1.2	..
Managed Prop	142.0	149.5	..	..
Pacific	209.0	220.0	..	..
Preference	194.9	205.2	-3.2	..
Property	240.3	252.5	-0.4	..
Sterling	10.8		..	..
UK Cap	197.6	208.1	-2.6	..
UK Cap Pen	130.1	137.5	-1.5	..
World Income	220.6	232.3	-4.9	..
Euro Situations	187.6	196.2	-3.4	..
TYNDALL ASSURANCE 401, St John Street, 5 London EC1V 4OE 071-837 9494				
3-Way Fund	456.1	480.1	+2.34	..
UK Equity	270.1	284.4	+1.60	..
N American Equity	217.8	229.4	+0.01	..
Far East Equity	306.2	322.3	+0.71	..
Fixed	230.1	242.2	+0.04	..
Cash Deposit	175.8	185.1	+0.21	..
Property	103.7	109.2	+0.36	..
Special Opp	286.0	301.0	+1.86	..
Managed	232.4	244.8	+0.74	..
Index-Linked Fd	155.8	164.0	+0.52	..

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Innocent will pick up Fimbra pieces

COMMENT

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The oews that the future of the Financial Intermediaries Managers and Brokers Regulatory Associatioo (Fimbra) is under review comes as no surprise to many investors and brokers. Nothing seems to have gone right for the regulator. It has barely survived a series of investment scandals from members supposedly vetted by the association, and has had to be baled out twice by the companies of which it is supposed to be independent.

Now, investors face years of wrangling and uncertainty while the Securities and Investments Board decides who should authorise and regulate independent financial advisers. The fear must be that any change will allow those who have persisted to flout the rules to get away with it for even longer.

It is already difficult enough for investors to have complaints dealt with. They are passed around like parcels from one regulator to another with all of them denying responsibility. A further hlurring of the system will oot help.

Some brokers are questioning whether there will be an independent financial adviser sector left to regulate by the time the discussions have ended. The abandonment of the sector by National Westminster Bank is likely to encourage other waverers to sign up with insurance companies.

The members of Fimbra are concerned about the cost of providing protection for investors. Too many Fimbra members have disappeared after setting up private investment schemes offering wonderful returns.

Other, innocent members are left to pick up the pieces. Their bill for the compensation scheme has risen. Those running solid, honest businesses have begun to feel that Fimbra membership is oot only costly hut also a liability. The question of who is going to pay to protect the puhlic in the future is exercising more than a few minds.

Fimbra has tested the Financial Services Act in the High Court and now accepts that investmeots made since December 1986 are covered by the scheme. Fimbra had wanted to wriggle out of any responsibility for clients up until August 27, 1988.

Sir Kenneth Clucas, appointed to consider a replacement for Fimbra, has a thankless task in trying to provide an answer to how a disparate group of competing brokers can best be organised. They range from large national networks to tiny local firms.

They have one thing io common. They want the regulatory system sorted out so they can get on with their busioess rather than lurching from problem to prohlem in the knowledge that the honest, careful ooes are likely to pay repeatedly for the sins of others who appear to have been ahle to continue in their old ways regardless of the new supposedly tougher regime.

Those who are hoping the mess will be sorted out once and for all may give a wry glance at the curriculum vitae of Sir Keoneth and ootice that he has beeo ao independent member of the Fimbra council sioce 1986.

Bond enquiry

No one can ever know what goes oo in sitting rooms when salesmeo scent a sale. They will say anything to investors to persuade them to sign on the dotted line for an insurance policy.

Some insurance salesmen have been having a field day in the last few months as they sold with-profits bonds oo the strength of mueh higher returns than those available from huilding societies and banks.

Such has been their success that some eompanies have become concerned at the verbal promises being made. In some cases, they may even be a little worried that disappointed investors may call on them to honour such guarantees in years to come.

Now, the Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organisatioo (Lautro) is acting to protect investors from overzealous sales spiel. It is beginning to look at the the way with-profits bonds are sold and has called for the training notes as well as the literature produced by the insurance companies.

It should be ensured that salesmeo understand the degree of risk and that the handsome rates of return cannot be guaranteed before they are let loose on the public.

The likely outcome is that the regulator will issue guidance notes. Lautro is rightly concerned that people may be investing without realising the true nature of the bonds. There is a definite place for them in many investment portfolios. But first the sales staff need to know what they are selling.

Small investors compete as equals in BT sell-off

Subscribers can avoid scaling down of shares, but they will have to pay, Sara McConnell reports

NICK MALAND

EACH of BT's 20 million customers should have received a letter this week inviting them to register for shares in half the government's remaining £5 billion, 49 per cent stake in the company.

For the first time in a government sale, private investors will be able to compete oo equal terms with institutional investors if they want to buy more than £3,000 worth of shares. They will also be offered a choice of eight share shops offering cheap dealing.

Those who register with BT's share information office will be given preference over people who apply directly on a puhlie application form. Those who register and choose a share shop will be given priority if the issue is oversubseribed. Existing BT shareholders are automatically registered and will be eligible for incentives.

The sale is the latest in the government's privatisatioo programme, which started in 1981 with the sale of British Aerospace. The first half of BT was sold in 1984, attracting 1.4 million registrations and 2.3 millioo applications. About 1.25 million investors still hold shares in the company.

The sale of the 12 regional electricity companies in December last year was the largest yet, with 7.3 million registrations and 5.7 million applications. Less than 4 million of these still hold shares from the issue, however. With the 1986 British Gas flotation, in which 7.5 million people registered and 4.5 million people applied for shares, only 2.19 million still hold some or all of their allocation.

Investors who held on to their shares would have done well over the past ten years. Quilter Goodison, the stockbroker, has calculated that someooe holding 100 shares in eaeh privatisatioo since 1981 would have invested £2,825. The present capital value would be about £7,700. The dividends for the shares would be aboui £1,200 after tax. The caleulation assumes an investmenl in a local water company and a local electricty eompaoy only. Investors would have benefited from all bonuses and paid all calls.

Norman Lamoot, the Chancellor, anoounced in his Budget thal he wanted to deepen share ownership and encourage iovestors to hold on to their shares or sell them to buy other stocks.

Privatisation shares have been priced to attract investors and oormally start trading at a premium to the offer price.

For the first time, investors are being iovited to select one of eight share shops chosen by the government. This is designed to encourage investors io hold oo to their shares or, if they sell them, to buy more through the share shops. Applicants will receive two vouchers for cheap share sales and two for cheap share purchases. The vouchers can be used at any share shop, which will deal in between 20 and 30 popular stocks, as well as BT. The largest choice comes from the Midland, which will deal in any shares quoted on the stock market.

NatWest offers any stock oo the FT-SE 100 index and Barclays is planning to offer more than 50 stocks. Those who keep their BT shares will qualify for incentives, likely to include bonus shares and discouots on subsequent instalments. There will not be discounts oo telephone bills, unlike in the 1984 flotation.

Share shops guaranlee cheap dealing, at £15 or less for three months after dealing starts, and customers of share shops will be first in line for incentives in the BT issue. Some will offer postal and telephooe dealing only. Others, such as Lloyds, will offer over the counter dealing.

Investors can also get incentives if they register through a stockbroker or independent financial adviser. The deadline for this is October 22 and the application has to be made in writing. Stockbrokers say they will offer competitive rates for cheap dealing services, but investors may have to wait for some of them to declare their hand.

Gavin Oldham, chief executive of the Share Centre, said the company would be waiting to see what share shops were charging, so that the Share Centre could match it.

The four main clearing banks, Barclays, National Westminster, Lloyds and Midland, plus the Abbey National and the Bank of Scotland, have all been selected by the Treasury, along with the Norwieh & Peterorough Building Society, which owns Waters Lunniss, the Norwich stockbroker, and Sharelink.

Investors, however, are almost certain to have to choose a share shop without knowing how much each will charge for buying and selling shares. The deadline for applying to a share shop has oot yet been set but the goverment has forbidden share shops to reveal how much they will be charging until the time of the offer.

The government is concerned that share shops offering the lowest rate will be swamped with applicants keen to sell on the first day of trading, as has happened with other privatisations.

The maximum price is expected to be £15 for deals of up to £1,000, while the maximum commission rate for deals above this is expected to be 1.5 per cent. Most share shops expect to charge less than this but are not going to offer the rock bottom prices some financial institutions were charging for selling electricity shares.

Some building societies, including the Skipton and the Leeds, offered free dealing to account holders who bought shares in the electricity privatisation.

There is also no guarantee that investors will continue to get cheap dealing prices after the three months. Most share shops are going to wait to see how much interest there is in dealing.

Midland has charged a minimum £15 flat fee in the past for the flotations but its normal minimum dealing charge is £20 or 1.5 per cent, whichever is the greater. The bank already has 65 share shops in branches and plans to have 100 by the end of the year.

Barclays has offered a cheap dealing service for recent privatisations such as electricity and water, selling shares for £12.50 per deal. A family of four with the same surname would also pay this price. Barclays' normal minimum fee is £28 per deal.

Sharelink usually charges a minimum of £20 and also offered cheap dealing at £12.50 for postal dealing in privatisation stocks. Telephone dealing in privatisation stocks costs a minimum of £17.50.

Tony Vine-Lott, managing director of Barclays Stockbrokers, said: "We are looking at having cheaper dealing all the time but we haven't decided whether or not to do this. With issues like water and electricity it was the volume of business which made the difference and allowed us to cut the price."

Previous issues have in most cases been so heavily oversubscribed that allocations have been massively scaled down.

The flotation of the 12 regional electricity companies was 10.7 times oversubscribed. People applying for companies of which they were not customers in most case received no shares at all if they applied for more than 100 shares. Customers did slightly better.

Investors who want to avoid a scaling down and are prepared to pay more for their shares will be able to bid for stock in competition with institutions through their stockbroker. They will not, however, be eligible for share shop coupons or discounted deals.

New style Pep offers option for shareholders

SHARE shops and stockbrokers are likely to offer investors the option to put up to £3,000 worth of BT shares into a single company personal equity plan (Pep) when dealing starts in the new issue of shares. The plans will be available for the first time oo January 1 next year, and all dividends and capital growth will be tax free (Sara McConnell writes).

Single company Peps were announced in this year's Budget. Investors will still be able to put £6,000 into an ordinary Pep as well as having £3,000 in a single company plan.

Investors will be allowed to put the shares directly into a Pep rather than having to sell them, paying dealing costs, and invest the proceeds, as with existing shares.

The Inland Revenue said the sale of BT shares would be considered a oew issue, as long as they were put into a Pep within 42 days. Those who intend to pay the two further instalments for the partly-paid shares, however, will have to take out another single company Pep in the oext tax year to avoid exceeding the £3,000 annual limit.

Barclays and Sharelink both said they would be interested in offering a single company Pep. Tony Vine-Lott, Barclays stockbrokers' managing director, said: "A Pep is the perfect way to invest an allocation."

David Jooes, managing director of Sharelink, said the broker would be offering a corporate Pep hut also a self select Pep with a maximum of £6,000.

Some stockbrokers are also planning to make such a Pep a feature of their service. Gavin Oldham, ehief executive of the Share Centre in Tring, Hertfordshire, said the ceotre was going to tender for shares for clients in competitioo with iostitutiooal iovestors to make sure people have a large enough allocatioo to use up the full single company Pep allowance.

Walker, Crips, Weddle, Beck, the Londoo stockbroker, is also planning to pid for a larger allocation of shares for clients. Those whose brokers are successful in bidding and who are prepared to pay more will avoid having their applicatioo scaled down.

Those who are oot prepared to pay more and who find themselves left with a small allocation of shares to add to small allocations from other privatisations could coosider putting all the stocks ioto a Pep. Barclays has been running a plan with British Airways since July this year. The Pep will accept any privatisation stock or other small share holding.

Selling a privatisatioo stock and putting it into the Pep costs a minimum of £10 per deal, while selling other stocks costs £20. Postal dealing costs £10 minimum, while telephone dealing costs £18.50 minimum. There are several thousand Pep holders.

Another optioo is a share exehaoge scheme, uoder which a Pep manager takes small oumbers of shares, sells them and invests the proceeds in a Pep. Any capital growth or dividends are tax free. Some companies have higher charges than others, however, and some will oot accept very small holdings.

Invesco MIM, formerly MIM Britannia, will not charge investors for selling shares as long as they are not too obscure. There is no minimum size of holding.

Keith Crowley, MIM's marketing director, said: "We will sell the shares in the marketplace and absorb the broking ehanges. A loi of people only have £100 or £200 worth of shares. If they try and sell through a bank or a building society, unless there is a special deal, they will probably pay £25 per holding."

Iovestors can use share exehange for part or all of a Pep holding, topping up with cash. Those who try to sell large amouots of stock to benefit from free dealing, putting only a small amouni in a Pep, are oot welcome, however. There is a ehoice of two Peps and the standard charge is 5 per cent up froot and 1.5 per cent annually.

Save & Prosper will charge, in certain circumstances, for selling shares to put into a Pep or unit trust. The company will be able to absorb most privatisatioo stocks into its unit trust portfolio so investors will oot have to pay commission.

If the shares have to be sold rather than absorbed, shares will be sold by a broker. If the total holding is worth at least £2,500 and each holding is worth more than £1,000, S&P will pay the broker's commission. If the holding is smaller than this, the investor will have to pay the commission. The cost depends oo the size of the holding.

Post may hold up certificates

FOR the third consecutive year, investors could spend the run-up to Christmas worrying that share certificates have been caught io the Christmas post (Sara McConnell writes).

A firm timetable has yet to be set for the sale of another tranche of BT. It is expected, however, to follow roughly the same pattern as the water privatisation in 1989 and the electricity companies last year, but two to three weeks later.

Investors were invited to register for electricity shares on September 12 last year, three weeks earlier than this week's invitation for BT. The pathfinder prospectus that detailed the structure of the electricity offer and bonuses was published on November 3. The BT pathfinder is scheduled for mid-November.

Like other government sales, shares will be paid for in three instalments. For the first time in a privatisation, however, the retail price for the first instalment will be fixed when the pathfinder prospectus is launched. The price for international investors will be fixed a week later, at discount day, so that private investors have a built-in discount. This should ensure that investors will not pay a higher price than institutions if the market falls.

The price of the second instalment is the same for all investors and will be fixed ai the time the pathfinder is launched. The price of the third will depend oo the amount institutions and brokers are tendering. Tender bids will be made close to the day dealings start.

Electricity share dealings started on December 11, a week after the offer closed. If dealings begin in the new issue even a week later, interim certificates are bound to be caught in the Christmas post. Many brokers allowed investors to deal before receiving their certifcates last year. This will not be an option this time for people selling through share shops, as vouchers will only be sent out with certificates.

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New funds put their trust in commercial property

By Rupert Bruce

WAREHOUSES, shops and offices might seem unlikely investments for a unit trust, but two funds investing in commercial property have just been launched.

In theory, the trusts should rise in value as the British economy pulls out of recession and commercial property prices rise. Both the new unit trusts, the Norwich Property Trust and the Barclays Unicorn Property Trust, offer a high income yield of about 7.5 per cent gross and the prospect of capital gain later. Neither, of course, is guaranteed and there is a danger that savers could find themselves unable to sell when they want to.

In 1981, Henderson Administration, the fund management group, launched a life fund, called the Prime Residential Property Fund, to invest in residential property in central London. The fund ballooned from £5 million initially to £95 million in the spring of 1987.

Then financial advisers decided it was time their clients invested in the stock market and switched out of the fund. Henderson could not sell property fast enough to pay off investors and no one received a payout for a year.

The Securities and Investments Board has tried to guard against new style funds repeating this. At most, 80 per cent of funds can be invested in property and the rest must be kept in cash or saleable securities, such as property-related shares or gilts. Henderson's fund, however, was never more than 85 per cent invested in property.

The Norwich Property Trust and the Barclays Property Trust have substantial sums already in the unit trusts, which were previously in unauthorised property funds. This money has proved much less fickle than Henderson's was, so as long as the unit trusts do not grow too much, they should not have liquidity problems.

Chris Laxton, Norwich Property Trust's fund manager, said: "Our main life fund has about £50 million in the unit trust... I think it is pretty important that one does avoid unitholders from outside becoming big holders of the fund."

Save & Prosper, the investment management group, has property funds for its life insurance and pension policies but decided against launching a unit trust. Paul Bateman, the chief executive, said: "We did look at it, but we decided that the main way that our money comes in, through regular premium contributions, and having a regular cashflow without a huge sudden inflow, which later turns into a huge sudden outflow, is the ideal way of managing the funds."

'Prospect for rental value to grow': Chris Laxton

'What no one disputes is that prices are at or near the bottom and should rise soon'

Therefore, if the tide of money flowing in and out of a property fund ebbs and flows rapidly, it becomes difficult to manage because the fund may be forced to buy or sell property.

This might help explain why the Micropal index of life funds investing in property has underperformed the James Lang Wootton index of commercial property prices over the past five years. The fact that few of the funds are ever fully invested also means they are destined to underperform by a degree. The funds have only just managed to beat inflation.

If a property unit trust's portfolio had performed in the same way as the average life fund's over this period, it would have underperformed inflation after charges.

Barclays has an initial charge of 5.25 per cent and an annual charge of 0.75 per cent. Norwich Union has an initial fee of 6 per cent and an annual one of 1.25 per cent.

Mr Bateman said that although commercial property prices were depressed at the moment, there was not much scope for investment. There was not enough prime retail or industrial property around for a manager to invest easily the £15 million or so a unit trust might hope to attract, he said.

What no one disputes is that prices are at or near the bottom and should rise soon. Kieran Patel, an investment analyst at Hillier Parker, the chartered surveyor, said rental yields on commercial property are at an all time high of 9.4 per cent. They reached a previous high of 8.6 per cent in 1974.

Mr Patel said investors were now starting to invest for the income yield, which has stopped rising. The next step must be a rise in prices.

The Barclays Unicorn and Norwich Union trusts are concentrating on retail property. They believe that the British economy will be led out of recession by consumer spending, so shops should be the first to benefit.

Norwich Union is still switching into this type of property. Mr Laxton bought a £925,000 warehouse in Grantham, Lincolnshire, from Halfords last week. At a rent of £6.50 a square foot, the property has a yield of 10.3 per cent. "We feel that there is a prospect for the yield to improve and the rental value to grow," Mr Laxton said.

Investors who agree with this optimistic view of the market should be aware that they can also invest in the commercial property market through shares.

While the two new trusts are not as vulnerable to liquidity crises as the Henderson fund, investors should heed the compulsory health warning on the funds.

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Funds hit by stock market slumps

Actuaries agree bonus cuts

By LINDSAY COOK
MONEY EDITOR

BONUS rates for with-profits policyholders are set to fall this year after actuaries from the top 20 life offices met last Friday and indicated that bonuses had been set too high in past years.

With-profits funds were badly hit by recent slumps in the stock market but the need to compete pushed them into larger payouts than they could afford.

The informal meeting was called by Hugh Scurfield, the president of the Institute of Actuaries and chief actuary and general manager of Norwich Union. The last time such a meeting was called by the institute was more than three years ago, a few months after the stock market crash. The life companies fear that they will not be able to sell their policies in a competitive market if they reduce their bonus rates, but their investment experience over the past two years is telling them to do so.

Those present stressed that the institute was not attempting to operate a cartel to reduce bonus rates on with-profits policies. The discussion is, however, likely to influence life companies as they consider the bonus levels to set at the end of the year.

Mr Scurfield said: "Professionally, it seemed a good idea to share each other's thoughts about our overall experience. We were not trying to reduce or limit anyone's freedom of action.

"We started to talk about the investment background in which we are now operating. The fact is that the market had gone down heavily last year and this year it has come back up, although not enough up to say that we have two good investment years.

"The two years together resulted in two mediocre investment years and not the sort of investment years we had in the Eighties. We all agreed on that. No one was in any doubt that it would have some impact on bonuses. To say we did not talk about bonuses would be nonsense. We obviously did.

Scurfield: 'good idea'

"It will be interesting to see what happens at the end of the year from a number of companies. Inevitably, payouts will have to react. It will be the short term ten-year payouts that will have to react most."

He continued: "We talked about the inevitability of lower returns in the Nineties than we had in the Eighties. With lower returns we expect that payouts will come down and as payouts come down reversionary bonuses will come down. We were not trying to talk detailed bonuses. That we did avoid."

Last year, companies took the view that they were taking decisions on bonus rates in the middle of a trough. They therefore dipped into their reserves to maintain bonuses and smooth the returns on their policies. After the end of the Gulf war they expected investment performance to recover. It has not done so sufficiently.

Mr Scurfield added: "As the actuaries of the funds, we do recognise our positions as the trustees of the policyholders. It is quite natural for the trustees, expecially as investment markets are not as good as before, to ensure we are doing the right things for policyholders and protecting their interests."

The returns on with-profits policies since the stock market crash have been higher than the unitised managed funds. This can only be achieved by dipping into reserves, but now several of the companies represented at the meeting are concerned that the returns cannot be afforded.

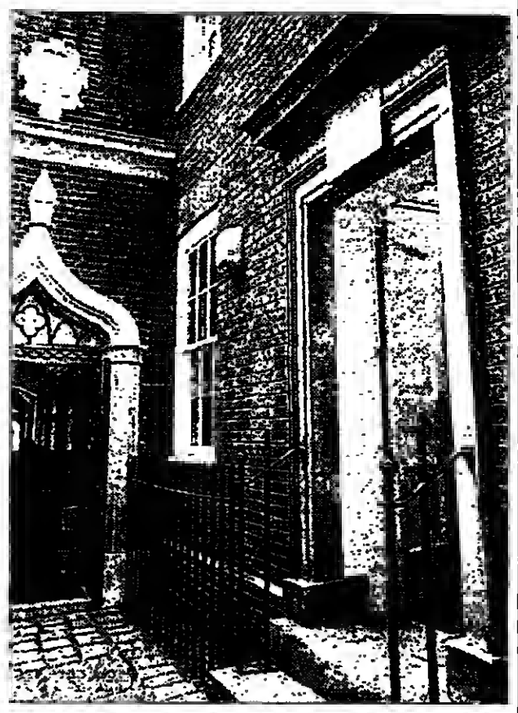
The bonus levels have also influenced the investment policies of fund managers. Higher investment in gilts have been made to increase the yield, leaving less scope to invest in equities.

One actuary said: "Every office is suffering. We are hoping this will sober the market up a bit. There is no doubt that with-profits cannot continue to pay out more than managed funds each year. The meeting had to take place now. The results are out in January."

Tony Russell, actuary at Eagle Star, said: "Taking the two years as a whole, investment performance has not been great. We have got to look at the edging down of maturity benefits. We are not yet in the season of deciding the bonus levels. There is still three months to go.

"Equity returns were unusually high in the Eighties. In the longer term, the returns are likely to be lower."

He added that no definite commitments were made at the meeting, although he conceded: "Thinking may have been influenced by what said at the meeting."



Informal meeting: the Institute of Actuaries' HQ

Lautro to investigate 'misleading' sales of with-profit bonds

THE Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organisation (Lautro) is investigating the way with-profits insurance bonds are being sold. The regulator is checking the sales literature, sales training programmes and advertisements to make sure that investors are not being led to believe that returns are guaranteed (Lindsay Cook writes).

Prudential, Legal & General and Norwich Union supplied the information this week and it is now being analysed. Guidance notes are then likely to be published by Lautro on how the bonds should be sold.

The bonds have enjoyed considerable success in the past three to four months, with more than £1 billion being invested this year as the interest rates from building societies and banks have fallen.

Weekend Money warned investors last month of the misleading way the bonds were being sold.

Mike Abrahams, chief compliance officer, said: "We are keen to make sure that what is said in the sitting room and in the brochures accurately reflects the degree of risk and that there is no indication that the return is guaranteed."

With endowment business reduced because of the poor property market, salesmen have leapt at the chance to sell the new-style bonds which pay commission of up to 5.88 per cent. This is nearly double the rate for selling unit trusts and works out at almost £600 for every £10,000 invested.

Some salesmen have not been entirely honest in the way they have tried to sell the bonds. Instead of making it clear the bonds are a medium to long term investment in the stock market that can outperform deposit accounts, they are sold as alternatives to savings accounts.

In one case, a widow with £30,000 from her husband's life assurance to invest was told to put it all in a bond and was given a typewritten sheet, which stated that there was no risk, that the return was guaranteed and that it was better than interest levels attainable from building societies.

The rates have already come down in some cases. Norwich Union cut its rate in the summer from 10.5 per cent to 9.75 per cent net. The rates depend largely on the returns on the investments made by the insurance companies. To pay out a net annual rate of 10 per cent they have to earn a gross return of 13 per cent unless they are willing to dip into their reserves.

Projected cash values given for the first five years of the bonds by insurance companies assume that current bonus rates will be maintained. Some companies are enhancing these calculations by including terminal bonuses that make their rates look competitive. Terminal bonuses are even less certain than annual ones, although companies obviously hope to maintain them.

Most companies reserve the right to make a "market value adjustment" on surrender. This could mean that if the stock market has fallen dramatically the value of the investment will be reduced on encashment. General Accident makes early redemption charges on money withdrawn from its with-profits bond in the first three years.

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Help for home plan debtors

By SARA MCCONNELL

THE Cheltenham & Gloucester building society has this week written to 400 elderly customers who took out mortgages as part of a home income plan, to ask them to contact the society and discuss rescheduling or reducing their mortgage repayments.

Many of these people are faced with large monthly payments that they cannot afford. They were encouraged by financial advisers to take out a mortgage on a property and invest the money in an investment bond. Income from the bond was intended to cover mortgage repayments but the value of the bonds fell. Some borrowers could now lose their homes.

The C&G has set up a free telephone line, 0800 272 383, for people to make appointments to discuss their mortgage. Twelve branches in the Southeast have been chosen as contact points, but people can choose to be visited in their homes if they prefer.

The C&G said: "We will be suggesting various options, like paying at a fixed rate or rolling up some of the interest. It will probably be necessary for borrowers to surrender the bond." However, it had not made any non-possession guarantee.

Nearly half the borrowers were lent money by the Guardian, the Peckham and the Portsmouth building societies, which have since been taken over by the C&G. The remaining 216 borrowers took out mortgages with the C&G itself.

Other building societies have also started rescheduling such payments. The West Bromwich has 1,800 borrowers with home income plans, whom it is now visiting to discuss mortgage problems.

Building societies, brokers and insurance companies face legal action from about 15 elderly clients. Barnett Sampson, the solicitor, yesterday instructed counsel to formulate court proceedings and called on societies and insurers to cancel mortgage debts and pay up bonds.

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Phantom fraudster copied credit card magnetic strip

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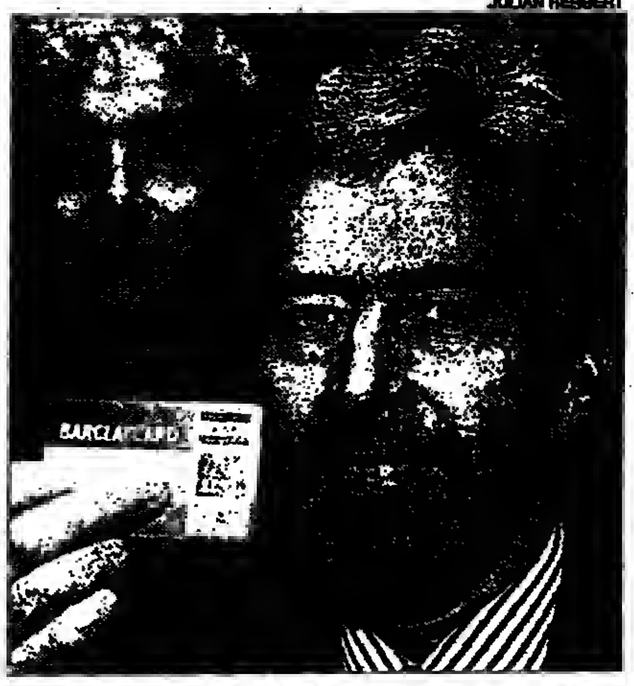

Victims: Gerald and Pat Bradley's card was copied

GERALD and Pat Bradley were surprised when their credit card bill contained 17 items they had not bought from shops they had not visited. When they contacted Barclaycard to find out what had happened, the company arranged to send the sales vouchers to the couple in Bookham, Surrey.

Mrs Bradley said: "I think they expected us to see the vouchers and suddenly remember we had bought all the things. When the vouchers arrived they did not match either of our signatures."

The account details were identical to the couple's, neither of whom had lost their cards. Over the next six months, more mysterious items appeared on their bills. These were mostly bought in the Southampton area, although a few were at an electrical shop not far from their home.

Eventually, the Bradleys asked for a new account number and the "phantom" purchases stopped. In the meantime, £1,300 had been billed to the couple, although Barclaycard cancelled all the fraudulent spending when the items were identified.

The mystery was cleared up when a sharp-eyed sales assistant became suspicious about a customer. The result was a three-year jail sentence for the fraudster, who had produced a counterfeit magnetic strip using details from the couple's account. This had been attached to his card and every time he bought something from a store with an electronic till the bill was sent to the Bradleys' account.

Barclaycard said only two other similar frauds have been discovered. Barry Fergus, director of fraud control at Barclaycard, said that it was more sophisticated than counterfeit cards produced in the Far East.

The information needed to encode the fake magnetic strip had probably been obtained from a discarded credit card carbon. The information given by a customer when buying items on the telephone with a card would not be sufficient to make a strip.

This week, Mr Fergus attended a conference in Venice, to look at ways of combating card fraud involving counterfeit cards and strips. He said: "In the Far East, they are counterfeiting cards but they cannot be used electronically. In the States, they are copying magnetic strips on to other bits of plastic. We need to look at the best ways of stopping these frauds."

He warned cardholders to take the carbons and destroy them when shopping, especially abroad. Customers should also check their statements carefully and contact their card issuer if there are items they do not recognise. They should also report a missing card immediately.

Barclaycard launched Fraudwatch in June to check all vouchers for deviations from the normal pattern of spending. These may indicate a card has been stolen without the owner knowing. When it started, 200 to 300 customers were called every day to find out if their card was missing. About 4 per cent reported they were. Since, then the system has been refined and twice as many people are being told by the company that their card is missing before they have even realised.

Laser photocard enters trials

THE Royal Bank of Scotland is adding customers' photographs to bank cards in an effort to combat fraud. If a pilot scheme is successful, all customers may be charged for cheque guarantee and cash dispenser cards (Lindsay Cook writes).

During the pilot, which began this week, up to 30,000 customers in Edinburgh, Glasgow, London and Manchester are being asked to supply photographs and signatures for the new Highline cards, which can be used as cheque guarantee, cash dispenser and debit cards. Photographs could also be added to the bank's credit cards later.

Tony Schofield, managing director of the bank's branch banking division, said: "We would envisage, however, that the eventual new 'supercard' will involve a small charge to customers for the added security and allied benefits." The banks estimate that it would cost £100 million to replace the 30 million existing cards with photocards.

The bank is using lasers to burn the images of the photograph and signature into the plastic cards, to make it difficult for thieves to tamper with the images.

Last year, banks and building societies lost £122.5 million through plastic card fraud. Retailers suffered further losses when staff carelessness contributed to the fraud. Cards with photographs of customers may enable card issuers to charge more of their losses to retailers. Currently, if a sales assistant does not check the signature or the expiry date on a card, the bank may charge any loss to them.

Later this month, bank representatives will meet Kenneth Baker, the home secretary, to discuss proposals made by the crime prevention unit in June. The report said laser engraved photographs could reduce the number of people able to pass off a card as their own. But the unit conceded that the costs of producing the cards may be as much as the reduction in fraud.

Elizabeth Phillips, director general of the Credit Card Research Group, welcomed the Royal Bank of Scotland's initiative. She said: "It will be useful to have this pilot to see if it reduces fraud before any decision is taken on whether all cards should carry photographs."

She was concerned that sales assistants who challenged fraudulent users of cards may put themselves in danger. She pointed out that it was easier for them to tell a customer that a machine had rejected their card than to question the identity of the user.

In America, the use of photographs for identity purposes had been discredited by people sticking pictures of King Kong on their cards and not being challenged, she added.

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Lenders favour smaller mortgages

By Lindsay Cook
Money Editor

BORROWERS applying for loans of up to £75,000 are being offered a lower interest rate than larger loans by First Mortgage Securities. The smaller loans can be fixed at 10.25 per cent for two years, an annual percentage rate of 12.25 per cent. Larger loans cost 10.6 per cent (APR 12.29 per cent).

Larger lenders have been concentrating on those home-buyers wanting to borrow most. The FMS loan has an arrangement fee of £250 and borrowers who redeem duriog the fixed rate period pay three mooths' interest and one months' thereafter.

The North of England Building Society has mortgages fixed at 10.4 per cent for five years (APR 12.1 per cent). There is a £195 application fee.

The Town & Country Building Society is offering a four-year fixed-rate loan at 9.5 per cent in the first year and 10.5 per cent for the following three years. This gives an APR of 12.3 per cent, available on loans above £15,000. There is a £195 application fee.

Hill Samuel Mortgage Services has launched a fixed-rate loan nver five years at 10.5 per cent (APR 11.3 per cent), which also has a low start option allowing up to 3 per cent of the interest in year one to be deferred. An administration fee of £345 is charged and four months' interest has to be paid in the first two years for redemptions. This is then reduced to three months.

Record of arrears could be bar to cheaper loans

By Sara McConnell

BORROWERS with a record of arrears in the past three years may find it difficult to remortgage to take advantage of cheaper loans currently being offered.

Building societies are also reluctant to lend to those with couoty court judgments against them as they have to use extra capital to cover the increased risk of the loans.

The Building Societies Commission in April gave societies six months to implement redefined guidelines on the capital needed to cover certain types of risky loans. These specified that the definition of borrowers with known debt problems should include those who are three months or more in arrears with mortgage, rent or other loan repayments, or who have a county court judgement against them for more than £250.

Borrowers are also considered high risk if they have more than one county court judgment for any amount.

Various types of riskier loans, including those where the interest is rolled up and added to the loan, and low start mortgages, now also require extra capital.

Norman Digance, secretary to the commission, said: "We are saying that some types of loan are riskier than standard repayment loans and need more capital.

"Many societies have withdrawn lending on these sorts of mortgages. The same applies where societies are lending to people with known levels of debt."

PAULA YOUENS

Societies who wished to take greater lending risks had been recalculating their capital requirements over the past six months, be added.

The Skipton Building Society gave warning that borrowers in debt would find it more difficult to obtain another loan, even if they went into arrears for a good reason.

The society said that it would cost the same in capital reserves to lend one borrower with debt problems £50,000 as it would to lend two borrowers with no debt problems £50,000 each.

Risk is assessed on a points system. Safe mortgages of up to 95 per cent of the value of the property have to be covered by capital of 2 per cent of the amount borrowed. Loans to borrowers with known debt problems have to be covered with capital of 4 per cent of the amount borrowed. If the borrower is six months or more in arrears, the rules require cover of an additional 10 per cent of the amount borrowed.

John Goodfellow, the Skipton's chief executive, said: "There is no doubt that borrowers currently or recently in debt will find it more and more difficult to obtain another mortgage.

"Many will be given the advice to remain where they are until the three-year period has passed and acquire a satisfactory repayment record. There may be some societies who will still offer assistance but this will be very much on a price differential basis and borrowers with debt difficulties may find the cost prohibitive."

John Carrier, deputy chief executive of the Scarborough Building Society, said: "This will make it more difficult for some people to get mortgages because some societies will not lend to borrowers with track records of debt.

"A lot will depend on the capital position of the society. It will also be more difficult to remortgage."

He said that people in arrears would be better off sticking with the society that gave them the original loan and building up a good track record rather than approaching another society.

Building societies will know if a borrower has a record of arrears because they normally ask for references or statements from a previous lender to check whether an applicant can meet monthly repayments. They can also check on the new register set up by the Council of Mortgage Lenders in August, which lists all those whose homes have been repossessed.

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LETTERS

Bank reimbursed account after theft uncovered

From P. D. Atkinson

Sir, I refer to the letter from Roy Worthington (Weekend Money Letters, September 28). The following is my experience.

Our house was burgled while we were on holiday in June. Among the items identified as lost were my wife's and my passports.

Approximately four weeks after the burglary I discovered that the thieves had also taken my Eurocheque book (8 or 9 cheques) and Eurocheque card. £800 had been drawn from my account using these cheques at locations on the Continent.

On reporting the loss in person at my Barclays branch I was informed that I would not be liable for this loss. The total sum drawn using the stolen cheques was credited to my account and I was reimbursed for the charges incurred due to my account being overdrawn by the fraudulent transaction.

Yours faithfully,
P.D. ATKINSON,
63 Hocombe Road,
Chandlers Ford,
Hampshire.

Idea of honour penalised by system

From Mrs Stella Kon

Sir, My credit card company has just announced that they will soon start charging an annual fee for their services. This is fair enough. But they add that this fee will be waived for people who have incurred an average of £5 a month interest charges in the preceding year.

I have always operated my credit card account according to old-fashioned ideas. I have tried, often at considerable inconvenience, to pay the bills promptly rather than incur interest charges which I perceived as a penalty for a shameful debt.

It seems like a forcible rejection of my efforts to be a good client, to find that people who have consistently been late on their payments, and hence run up interest charges, are being rewarded by waiving of the annual fee.

I feel painfully caught in the transition from an older system of values, in which it is honourable to repay debts promptly, and a new financial system where creditors apparently do not want one to repay promptly.

I wish my education had taught me the new system to spare me the sense of injustice which I oow feel.

Yours faithfully,
STELLA KON,
128-D Cairnhill Road,
Singapore.

Music to the ears

From Dr Rosemary Hill

If you are a teenager the NatWest Bank is very charming indeed! My son and daughter discovered that they could each obtain a music voucher for £12.00 together with £12.00 of other vouchers on opening a new account with the bank, and they were not even required to make a deposit.

Yours faithfully,
ROSEMARY HILL,
4 Gordon Terrace,
Edinburgh.

Holiday time for working money

From Joan Salter

Sir, My bank has a free billpaying service whereby I can ensure that any bill can be paid on any date just by a simple phonecall. An invaluable service to those amongst us that wish to maximise on the credit paid to us for our monies by the banks and minimise on the interest paid by us to the credit card companies, i.e. the banks.

However, I have been informed that I must allow five full working days between my money leaving my account and being credited to the payee.

Where does the money go for those five days? On its annual holidays? Stuck down a BT line?

Yours faithfully,
JOAN SALTER,
64 Church Crescent,
London N10.

Silent society

From Marguerite Bowers

Sir, Letters published Saturday 28 September in your column from Mr MacNeill, M.J. Calder and Mrs Lorna Campbell, concerning their displeasure with the Nationwide Anglia Building Society rang a bell. Let me reassure them that they are not alone. There must be thousands of people up and down the land with whom the Nationwide "Black Hole" Society refuse to communicate.

I have been trying to retrieve £46.97 for five mooths and that is just one of a number of difficulties experienced. To date I have oot had a reply from the chairman or indeed anyone at head office, let alone a cheque. If it makes their customers feel better, the Nationwide do not communicate with their branches either.

An area manager visiting my local branch sent a fax in his name to try and help, but again no reply, nor do they answer the phone to customers or branch staff. It would appear they are not easily moved.

I have written to the chairman, Roy Duncombe, again today and would recommend that the Nationwide's less happy customers do so too. You won't get a reply, but it may make yoo feel better.

Yours faithfully,
MARGUERITE BOWERS,
37 The Farthings,
Kingston Hill,
Kingstoo upon Thames,
Surrey.

Forgotten assurance

From Mr C.J. Nickless

Sir, Ten years ago, I took out an assurance policy with a particular company.

One of the guaranteed options was that on certain anniversaries, the tenth being one such, I could increase the amount payable without medical evidence or the like.

Three months ago, therefore, I asked for an illustration of the return I would expect if I were to increase my monthly payment by £30 a month.

I was told both verbally and in writing that the company were no longer marketing the plan and I would therefore have to take out another plan altogether.

What action, if any, may be taken against the company who clearly have no concept of the old adage "my word is my bond"?

Yours faithfully,
C.J. NICKLESS,
The Hawthorns,
121 Maidstone Road,
Chatham,
Kent.

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Lloyds	6.42	6.42	5.14	2,500-no max	1 mth	Local Brnch
"	6.51	6.51	5.21	2,500-no max	3 mth	Local Brnch
Midland	6.80	6.50	5.44	10,000-no max	1 mth	0742 529955
" " "	6.56	6.56	5.25	10,000-no max	3 mth	0742 529955
NatWest	6.66	6.66	5.33	10,000-24,000	1 mth	071-726 1000
" " "	6.38	6.38	5.10	10,000-24,000	6 mth	071-726 1000
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Girobank	5.63	5.63	4.50	1,000‡	none	051 966 2076
Lloyds HICA	1.88	1.89	1.51	1,000‡	none	0272 433372
Midland HICA	5.35	5.42	4.34	2,000‡	none	0742 529955
NatWest Special Reserve	5.06	5.18	4.18	500‡	none	071-374 3374
Royal Bank of Scot Prem A/c	6.06	6.21	4.97	2,500	none	031-556 8555
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Britannia	9.11	9.11	7.29	2,000 min	none	—
Northern Rock	8.63	8.63	6.91	40,000 min	30 day	—
Skipton	9.00	9.00	7.20	2,500 min	90 day	—
Nationwide	9.00	9.00	7.20	50,000 min	1 year	—
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Southdown	7.69	7.69	6.15	1 min	none	—
Britannia	9.11	9.11	7.29	2,000 min	none	—
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BES schemes attract £55m in six months

By SARA McCONNELL

UP TO £55 million has been invested in business expansion schemes in the six months since the beginning of this tax year, with many higher-rate tax payers using up allowances from the previous year.

Investors get tax relief at their highest rate of tax on the first £40,000 invested in a business expansion scheme (BES) as long as the shares are held for five years. They have until today to make use of unused tax relief from previous years. The maximum tax relief available is £5,000.

Poor publicity for early BESs, in which shares proved difficult to sell and a lot of investors lost money, means that many now try to promote their schemes as safe.

Sun Life and Johnsoo Fry, two of the biggest BES promoters, are both offering assured tenancy buy-back schemes, in which property is bought by the scheme and rented to an institution, normally a university or housing association, for five years. The institutioo contracts to buy back the property at a price set to give investors a high return after five years.

Sun Life, the largest BES promoter, last week closed its BESRes VII Campus scheme after attracting £11 million. The offer was £1 million oversubscribed. The scheme has bought property from housiog associations and universities, invluding Lancaster, Sussex and Essex.

Graham Cox, Sun Life's BES manager and group economist, said the return to investors would be about 16.5 per cent net of tax after five years.

He added that the scheme normally had guarantees from the bankers of the university or the housing association, as well as bank deposits in the name of the institution as further guarantee.

Mr Cox admitted, however, that housing associations and universities could sometimes have problems meeting the terms of their cootracts to buy back the property after five years. If this happened, the scheme would have to take the them to court.

Johnson Fry has attracted £6.5 millioo into its Fifth Super Growth Scheme in the last 14 days.

Portfolio PLATINUM

For readers who may have missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes (today's are on page 31).

Share No	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Weekly Total
1	+6	+6	+2	+3	+2		
2	+6	+3	+4	+6	+4		
3	+9	+6	+3	+4	+3		
4	+6	+7	+3	+2	+2		
5	+9	+5	+2	+3	+3		
6	+7	+4	+5	+6	+4		
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41	+7	+7	+1	+3	+3		
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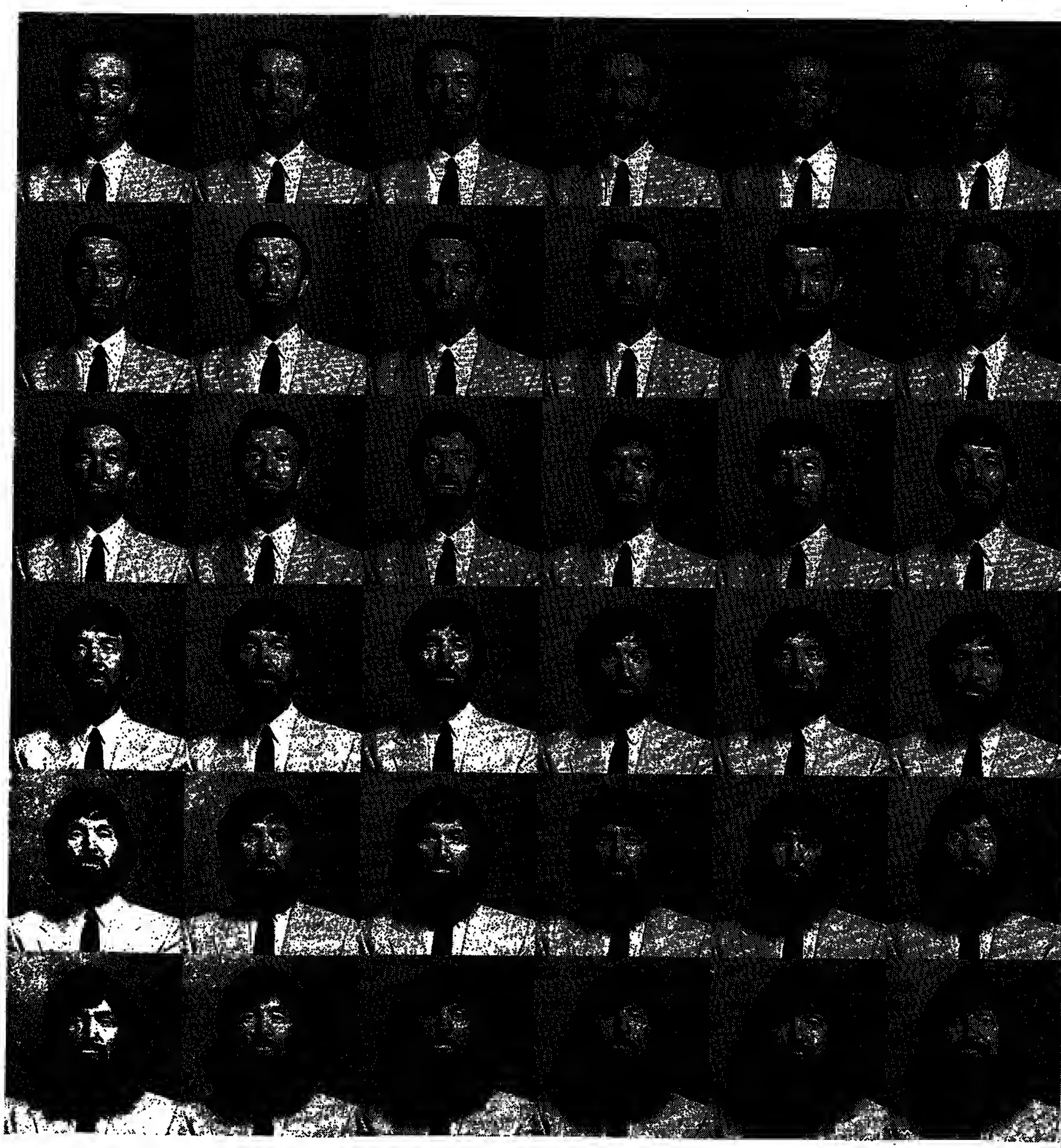

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	THORN EMI	Electricals	
2	Whatman	Industrials S-Z	
3	GEC	Electricals	
4	Severn Trent	Water	
5	Pilkington	Industrials L-R	
6	Barclays	Banks,Discount	
7	Kwik Save	Foods	
8	Allied-Lyons	Breweries	
9	Scot TV	Leisure	
10	Park Foods	Foods	
11	Pearson	Newspapers,Pub	
12	Bespak	Industrials A-D	
13	Hickson	Chemicals,Plas	
14	Laporte	Chemicals,Plas	
15	Mitel	Electricals	
16	Reed Int	Newspapers,Pub	
17	Unigate	Foods	
18	Plysu	Chemicals,Plas	
19	Microfilm Repro	Electricals	
20	Storehouse	Drapery,Stores	
21	ECC Group	Industrials B-K	
22	Geest	Foods	
23	Welsh Water	Water	
24	Hicking Pentecost	Textiles	
25	Macarthy	Industrials L-R	
26	Unilever	Industrials S-Z	
27	Cornwell Parker 'A'	Industrials A-D	
28	Bridport-Gundry	Industrials A-D	
29	Photo-Me	Industrials L-R	
30	Yule Catto	Chemicals,Plas	
31	Capital Radio	Leisure	
32	Provident	Banks,Discount	
33	Quicks Group	Motors,Aircraft	
34	Calor Gp	Oil,Gas	
35	Thames Water	Water	
36	BAT	Tobacco	
37	Johnstone Press	Newspapers,Pub	
38	Stakis	Hotels,Caterers	
39	Compass Gp	Leisure	
40	Grand Met	Breweries	
41	JS Pathology	Industrials E-K	
42	AIM	Industrials A-O	
43	Trinity Intl	Newspapers,Pub	
44	Wessex Water	Water	

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BRITISH FUNDS

1990/91 High Low Stock | Price Chge | Int only yield | Gross Red yld%

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

90% 96% Treas 9% 1991 96% .. 8.03 10.247
100% 99% Exch 11% 1991 100% ● .. 10.2 10.329
99% 92% Treas 11¾% 1991 99% .. — —
99% 91% Treas 3% 1992 96% .. 3.18 8.008
99% 90% Treas 0% 1992 89 .. 8.5 9.238
100 97% Treas 10% 1992 100% .. 10.0 8.347
100% 100% Conv £100% 1992 100% ● .. 10.4 9.766
102% 95% Exch 12¾% 1992 102 .. 11.8 9.845
101% 100% Treas 12% 1992 100% .. 12.6 9.868
104% 96% Exch 13½% 1992 103% .. 13.0 9.570
92 90% Fund 4% 1993 95 .. 6.31 8.812
98% 93% Treas 8¾% 1993 96% .. 8.3 9.538
100% 97% Treas 10% 1993 100% ● .. 9.98 9.530
104% 102% Treas 12¾% 1993 104% .. 11.9 9.667
108% 100% Treas 12¾% 1993 107% .. 12.7 9.668
97% 92% Treas 8¾% 1994 97% .. 8.6 9.549
98% 93% Treas 9% 1994 96% .. 9.1 9.865
101 96% Treas 10% 1994 100% .. 9.9 9.570
107% 100% Exch 12¾% 1994 105% .. 11.8 9.861
108 105% Exch 13¾% 1994 108% ●-¼ 12.4 9.857
111% 102% Treas 14½% 1994 110% -¼ 13.1 9.595
98 72% Gas 3% 1990-95 98% ● .. — —
102% 94% Exch 10¾% 1995 101% -¼ 10.2 9.807
100% 95% Treas 12% 1995 106% -¼ 11.2 9.814
110% 105% Treas 12¾% 1995 110 -¼ 11.8 9.880

FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

92% 82% Treas 9% 1992-96 96% .. 8.5 9.221
101% 95% Conv 10% 1996 101% -¼ 9.8 9.619
101% 97% Conv 10% 1996 B 101% -¼ — —
112% 106 Exch 13¾% 1996 112% -¼ 11.7 9.810
114% 109% Treas 14% 1996 114 -¼ 12.2 9.894
119% 115% Treas 15¾% 1996 119% ●-¼ 12.7 9.876
96% 88% Treas 8% 1997 96% -¼ 9.0 9.549
109% 97% Exch 10¾% 1997 109% -¼ 10.1 9.882
114% 106% Treas 13¾% 1997 113% -¼ 11.8 9.815
123% 117 Exch 15% 1997 122% ●-¼ 12.2 9.898
98% 90% Treas 9¾% 1997-99 98% ● 7.88 9.136
105% 98% Exch 9¾% 1998 100% -¼ 9.7 9.826
111% 104% Exch 12% 1998 111% -¼ 10.7 9.754
128% 121% Treas 15¾% 1998 125% -¼ 12.0 9.858
100% 90% Treas 10% 1999 100% -¼ 8.5 9.822
107% 95% Conv 10½% 1999 102% -¼ 9.9 9.676
104% 97% Treas 10¾% 1999 104% -¼ 10.0 9.865
112% 104% Exch 12¾% 1999 112% -¼ 10.8 9.763
97% 86% Conv 9% 2000 97 -¼ 9.2 8.486
118% 110% Treas 13% 2000 118 -¼ 11.0 9.849
98% 86% Conv 9¾% 2001 98% -¼ 9.0 9.000
103% 88% Treas 10% 2001 102% -¼ 9.7 9.582
90% 80% Treas 10% 2001 P 90% .. 0.00 9.000
114% 103% Treas 14% 1998-01 119 -¼ 11.7 9.698
81% 77% Exch 9% 2002 81% -¼ 0.00 9.000
101% 91% Treas 9¾% 2002 101 -¼ 8.5 9.578
87% 82% Conv 10% 2002 87% ● .. 0.00 9.000
104 94 Treas 10% 2003 102% -¼ 9.7 9.565
117% 110% Treas 13¾% 2002-03 117% -¼ 0.00 9.000
92% 83% Fund 3¾% 1999-04 91% -¼ 5.6 9.502
100% 90% Conv 9¾% 2004 98% ●-¼ 9.5 9.584
111 102 Treas 11¾% 2001-04 110% -¼ 10.4 9.803
100% 90% Conv 9¾% 2005 98% ●-¼ 9.5 9.554
121% 110% Treas 12¾% 2003-05 120% -¼ 10.3 9.619

OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

98% 79% Treas 0% 2002-06 87% ●-25 9.1 9.858
95% 81% Treas 8¾% 2007 92% -¼ 9.2 9.466
115% 100% Treas 9% 2008 114% -¼ 10.2 9.607
99 88% Treas 8% 2008 95% -¼ 8.3 9.408
94% 80% Conv 6% 2005 C 94% .. — —
129% 117% Treas 13¾% 2004-06 127% -¼ 10.5 9.607
99 90 Treas 5% 2009 97% -¼ 8.1 9.411
97% 88% Conv 9% 2011 98% -¼ 8.3 9.412
97% 90% Conv 0% 2011 PP 90% .. — —
99 88% Conv 9% 2011 A 98% .. — —
40 36% Treas 3¾% 2009-12 34% -¼ 8.5 9.260
88% 74% Treas 7¾% 2012-15 84% -¼ 8.9 9.442
125% 113% Exch 12% 2013-17 122% -¼ 9.7 9.480

UNDATED

29% 23% Consols 23¾% 25% ●-¼ 8.9 —
29% 23% Treas 25¾% 25% -¼ 8.9 —
30% 25% Treas 5% 30% -¼ .. — —
80% 67% Conv 5¾% 67% .. 8.7 —
41% 35% Consols 3% 40% .. 8.5 —
37% 33% War Ln 3% 36% .. — —

INDEX-LINKED

135% 131% Treas IL 2% 1992 135% — —
122% 115% Treas IL 2% 1994 122% — —
178% 169% Treas IL 2% 1996 177% — —
144% 137% Treas IL 2½% 2001 144% -¼ —
140% 133% Treas IL 2½% 2003 140% — —
142% 135 Treas IL 2% 2006 142% — —
130% 124% Treas IL 2½% 2009 129% — —
134% 127% Treas IL 2½% 2011 134% — —
118% 109% Treas IL 2½% 2013 116% — —
111% 105% Treas IL 2½% 2020 111% — —
112% 105% Treas IL 2½% 2030 112% ● — —
95% 91% Treas IL 2½% 2024 93% — —

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Losses reduced at close

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began September 30. Dealings end October 11. §Contango day October 14. Settlement day October 21. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. *Where one price is quoted, it is a middle price. Changes, yields and price earnings ratios are based on middle prices.*

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BREWERIES

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
659	480	Allied-Lyons	652	654	+3	25.1	4.0	23.8
10½	6½	Bass	10¼	10¾	..	44.4	4.3	10.7
178	124	Boddingtons	154	156 ●	-2	8.2	5.6	11.9
253	178	Bulmer (H P)	258	268	..	11.3	4.2	18.4
148	108	Burtonwood Brew	105	112	..	6.7	6.0	18.6
245	129	Dominion (JW)	232	242	+2	7.3	3.3	18.0
84	61	Fosters Brewing Gp	80	83	..	—	—	—
650	603	Grand Met	648	652 ●	+3	28.5	3.3	15.3
371	274	Greenall	365	369	..	13.8	3.8	13.5
492	374	Guinness (Ord)	485	490	+2	14.4	3.0	16.6
10½	7½	Robinson	10½	10¾ ●	..	25.8	2.5	18.9
11½	8¾	Scottish & Newcastle	11	11¼	..	4.8	4.3	18.7
302	229	Highland Distil	297	297	-1	9.6	2.3	22.5
270	129	Wolverhampton Manf	260	263	..	7.3	2.8	21.3
498	432	Mansfield	488	490	-1	18.1	3.7	13.4
526	185	Morrison Thompson	225	230	..	6.6	2.9	18.5
420	297	Matthew Clark	420	432 ●	..	18.7	4.4	18.6
336	230	Scotland	240	242	+2	8.8	3.7	18.7
11	8¾	SA Breweries	9¾	9¾	..	—	—	—
427	330	Scot & Newc	413	418	+3½	20.0	4.5	12.3
264	174	Vaux Group	211	213	-1	11.8	5.3	11.1
514	408	Whitbread 'A'	498	471	..	21.7	4.6	11.8
13½	10	Do 'B'	13	13½	..	21.7	1.6	33.5
595	380	Wolverhampton & D	570	585	..	19.8	3.2	16.3
475	360	Young 'A'	460	460	-2	17.8	3.7	17.4

BUILDING, ROADS

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
80	28	Abbey	75	80	..	—	—	—
260	176	Amec	206	212	-6	13.7	6.6	10.7
74	17	Anglia Sec	34	36	..	—	—	—
86	75	Arnolds	—	—	..	0.01	—	—
280	182	Ashtead	192	195	-1	6.2	3.2	14.8
245	169	BPB Ind	154	157	-3	15.0	9.7	10.8
105	69	Bagnall Bdck	88	90	-2	4.2	4.6	10.4
83	23	Bailey (Geo) Constr	38	39	..	1.1	3.0	13.0
129	31	Beazer Ord	38	40	-1	4.7	—	—
250	59	Beazer PLC	116	117 ●	-4	0.8	—	—
277½	192	Bellway	243	247	-1	14.7	6.0	13.8
50	3	Bellwinch	—	—	..	—	—	—
351	210	Berkeley Gp	335	337	-1	6.8	1.9	—
159	108	Bett Bros	103	113	..	5.8	5.2	6.2
122	80	Blackgate	88	108 ●	..	8.4	8.2	12.1
298	180	Blue Circle	254	257 ●	-3	18.6	8.0	11.3
688	439	Bmet (Henry)	600	610	-3	35.3	5.9	12.9
111	39	Bovis PLC	97	105 ●	..	8.1	8.0	16.4
148	65	Br Dredging	135	138 ●	..	8.8	7.3	10.5
130	80	Brown (J)	120	125 ●	+2	5.4	4.9	30.3
169	87	CALA	90	40 ●	..	4.6	8.8	—
280	167	Cmt	223	265 ●	-1	—	—	—
60	33	Calenhead Rutney	48	50	..	—	—	15.7
30	17	Carter Gry	12	22	-1	0.4	2.4	—
222	95	Costain Group	98	103 ●	-4	18.3	18.1	—
151	78	Countrywide	103	108	..	9.5	8.8	—
193	88	Crest Nicholson	39	45	+1	—	—	13.8
115	83	Cussins	87	88	..	—	—	—
500	245	Douglas (Wm)	485	510	-1	14.0	9.5	16.8
47½	30	Edmund Helps	41	42 ●	-½	2.5	6.0	10.2
77	48	Eadie	67	67 ●	..	5.8	7.4	21.4
117	75	Ecland Barton	72	74	-1½	7.5	10.3	8.8
54	6	Fisher Gp	26	34	..	—	—	—
164	71	Galliford	97	100	..	5.7	5.8	26.5
80	58	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	80	88	..	—	—	—
353	263	Grassland (Ord)	340	350	..	14.8	4.7	11.7
110	80	Hadson Wood	38	38	..	7.3	19.8	3.1
81	48	Hanson Ord	38	40	..	4.5	7.3	14.6
160½	84	Hawtin-Short	84	95	-1	4.1	4.8	8.4
87	58	Hawtmead	84	75	-4	4.0	5.3	8.9
306	205	Heywood Williams	285	302	-3	18.7	6.6	12.2
365	183	Higgs & Hill	180	185	-6	26.7	14.6	33.5
41	29	Hind Gp	30	30	..	5.6	11.3	8.7
21	10½	Holland (Ed)	15	17 ●	..	0.5	2.1	—
124	78	Bredick Johnson	80	85 ●	-2	8.8	8.1	10.7
40	33	Jarvis	51	58	..	6.7	8.1	13.5
347	254	Laing (J)	265	268 ●	..	77.3	8.0	30.5
84	23	Lawrence (Walter)	67	70	..	8.0	16.4	25.5
81	60	Lilley	43	44½	+½	3.5	7.9	8.2
205	160	Lovell (Y J)	130	135	..	11.9	8.8	7.8
159	132	Marston	158	160 ●	+1	8.1	4.9	17.5
151	114	Mowlem	121	127 ●	-3	5.7	4.5	6.0
108	83	Murphy	87	90	..	6.7	7.5	18.5
131	98	Newarthill (J)	115	118	..	8.8	5.8	8.1
308	202	McAlpine (Alfred)	198	200 ●	-3	13.7	6.8	18.8
115	87	McCarthy & S	71	74	..	4.5	6.1	—
494	258	Meyer Int	442	445	-5½	22.0	5.0	19.5
34	23	Mowlem (John)	215	222 ●	-4	20.8	9.8	—
44	12	MBH	18	21	..	0.7	6.2	—
277	132	Newman Tonks	145	146	..	12.8	8.7	11.0
304	167	Pecksniffian	285	300 ●	..	11.5b	3.4	13.0
59	18	Pinnacle Timber	30	23	..	0.7	6.2	—
10	6½	Pochin	9½	10½	..	22.0	3.3	5.8
201	138	Prestig	193	195	..	8.8	4.2	20.6
240	184	RMC Gp	218	217 ●	-4	28.0	4.2	10.9
540	69	Raine Ind	144	147	..	8.2	5.5	13.8
658	503	Redland	633	637 ●	-3	33.3	6.2	10.2
78	54	Reed	76	77	-4	5.7	8.0	8.8
205	135	Rugby Group	174	178 ●	-4	9.8	5.6	11.8
86	73	Sheerin & Fisher	83	88 ●	+2	8.2	8.2	—
161	108	Sheffield Ind	132	135	..	7.3	5.4	8.8
288	151	Smart (J)	197	202	..	8.8	6.0	5.6
23	15½	Stancroft	15½	19½	..	0.4	2.5	32.7
424	271	Steetley	278	278	..	18.7	6.8	5.8
253	187	Tarmac	190	188 ●	-3	15.0	8.0	11.0
175	105	Tay Homes	150	155	-5	8.4	5.6	6.3
208	154	Taylor Woodrow	180	180	-4	12.7	6.7	12.4
725	508	Tilbury Group	620	625 ●	..	44.0	7.0	5.8
251	188	Travis Perkins	232	240 ●	..	10.7	4.5	21.8
53	39	Try Group	50	50 ●	..	8.0	13.3	12.5
188	38	Tunnel	38	40	..	6.7	15.8	—
123	88	Wimpey	112	118 ●	..	4.8	4.2	11.8
208	165	West Group	180	181	..	4.8	4.6	4.2
159	89	Wood Hdgs	88	89 ●	..	5.8	6.6	—
421	308	Wms Mdls	410	418	-1	12.4	3.0	15.8
192	120	Westbury	145	148	-1	12.0	8.2	—
8	6	Weguelin	15	16	..	—	—	—
445	333b	Wilson Bowden	442	447 ●	..	11.3	2.5	15.3
211	163	Wilson (Connolly)	182	185 ●	..	8.1	2.8	18.5
229	184	Wimpey 6	178	178 ●	-5	14.0	8.6	18.8
78	43	YRM	75	77 ●	..	6.7	8.8	7.3

BUILDING, ROADS

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
67	62	EMC	76	80 ●	..	1.4	1.9	—
288	193	Electrocomponents	272	275	-1	8.8	3.2	16.8
240	75	Elec Data Process	225	230	..	5.8	2.5	14.4
41	17	Electral House	37	42 ●	-1	3.0b	7.5	42.0
54	32	Elecsis	38	39 ●	-½	2.3	6.1	—
292	161	Europlacer	288	289 ●	+1	8.4	3.2	15.4
77	35	FKI	75	76	-1	4.4	8.0	12.3
248	156	Farnell Elec	246	247	..	7.3	3.0	14.3
19	6½	Fenwal	7	8	..	—	—	—
86	38	First Tech	43	46	..	1.3	2.8	—
27½	11	Forward Tech	22	23	..	—	—	—
222	168	GEC	197	199	+1	12.3	6.2	10.8
730	426	Harland Simon	570	600	-28	10.0	1.3	15.8
380	345	Hawkins Gp	365	365	..	6.8	6.8	20.8
216	120	Jones Stroud	176	180 ●	..	10.7	6.1	10.8
27	20	Kentway	20	20	..	0.5	1.8	10.5
143	119	Kode	110	120	..	6.0	6.2	21.3
320	237	Lec Refrigeration	250	267 ●	..	18.3	7.5	20.7
75	51	Lasis	57	75	..	0.4	0.6	—
152	64	Life Sciences	150	153 ●	+1	4.1	2.7	21.2
244	144	Logica	232	237 ●	+1	4.3	2.0	—
388	225	Micro 4	355	360 ●	..	14.3	3.8	16.7
171	130	Microvitec Repro	158	164	+3	4.3	2.7	15.8
21½	7½	Micro Focus	17½	17½	..	—	—	27.1
127	118	Microgen	153	157	+1	8.3	8.0	11.9
44½	14	Millbrook	20	20	..	—	—	—
100	95	Minos	103	107 ●	-2	7.0	3.8	14.5
75	44	Mitel	57	58	..	—	—	—
18½	11½	Mktnt	15½	16	..	—	—	—
127	70	Mohyn	112	117	..	5.1	4.5	8.5
92	50	Molins Elect	87	88	..	2.7	3.0	18.8
54	43	Murray Enter	48	48	..	—	—	—
45½	39	NYMEX	42½	43	-1½	—	—	—
75	58	Newmark (Louis)	63	78	..	—	—	—
21	10	Northamber	45	48	..	3.3	7.0	—
15	10	Oceonics	12	14	..	—	—	22.5
279	227	Oxford Instruments	233	235	+3	5.3	2.3	13.1
185	139	P-E Consultant	173	177 ●	-3	8.3	4.7	8.7
147	98	P & P	114	118 ●	-1	5.8	5.0	6.2
71	45	Peak	64	40	..	4.3	6.8	8.6
80	58	Philips Fd 5%%	78	85	..	5.7b	7.2	—
11½	5½	Philips Lamps N/V	10	11	..	—	—	—
386	227	Pilkes	232	332 ●	..	10.3	6.1	10.2
267	194	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	307	307 ●	..	8.3	2.4	8.4
111	71	Pulsar	108	113	..	3.3	2.9	17.1
250	38	Quantel	248	300	..	2.7	1.1	82.4
98	33	Racal Elect	39	60 ●	+1½	8.6	8.4	22.0
68	28	RD-Scicon	38	31 ●	..	1.8	2.2	—
270	180	Rank Gp	270	270	+2	8.7	3.8	14.7
98	41	Robinson	45	47	..	4.8	8.9	16.8
135	75	Sabatier Gp	115	123 ●	..	8.7	6.8	14.0
468	290	Sage Gp	288	295 ●	..	8.8	3.3	22.6
88	50	Samson	15	24 ●	..	0.4	2.3	—
284	194	TDK	234	—	..	—	—	—
38	19½	Telemetrix	28	28	-3	—	—	—
811	575	Thorn EMI	787	793 ●	+7	40.7	5.1	9.0
187	103	Tomkins	160	165	..	6.8	4.2	10.8
800	156	Unitech	265	275	..	15.6	6.2	22.6
58	38	Utd Scientific	47	48	..	2.3	4.8	—
414	251	Vodafone	288	270	-3	7.0	2.6	21.3
253	221	Vokes	235	252	..	20.7	7.8	15.4
87	10	Western Selection	18	19	..	3.3	7.2	—
395	253	Wolseley Fittings	346	356 ●	..	22.2	6.4	17.9

ELECTRICITY

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
227½	142	East Midlands	218	220 ●	-1	23.1	5.8	8.8
201	134½	Eastern Elect	188	190 ●	+½	13.3	7.0	11.1
123	105	Hydro-Electric	115	117	-1	12.2	4.5	11.8
235	158	London Elect	221	223 ●	-1	13.5	6.5	14.3
277	198½	Midlands	268	270 ●	-4	21.3	8.0	8.1
227	139	Nat Power Elec	215	217 ●	-1	23.1	8.8	10.0
225	143	Northern Elec	216	220 ●	-4	21.7	8.1	9.8
241	143	Norweb	233	236 ●	-1	20.6	8.5	10.3
243	187	Scottish Power	211	212	-½	12.5	4.9	13.4
215	164	Scottish Hydro	214	216 ●	-4	18.7	8.8	8.0
256	154	Sth Wales	253	255 ●	-2	22.5	8.8	10.6
238	158	Sth Western	210	214 ●	-2	20.5	9.6	9.0
229	158	Southern Elec	215	217 ●	-2	20.4	9.4	10.0
237	157	Yorkshire Elec	245	247 ●	-1	20.8	8.9	8.8
£227/51	£000	Package Unit	£2250	—	●£20	—	—	—
170	130	National Power	159	161 ●	-½	11.3	4.2	8.2
179	132	PowerGen	175	177 ●	-2	11.1	4.4	10.2

FINANCE, LAND

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
336	301	Abbeywatch	318	325 ●	..	8.2	2.8	70.0
38	25	Aldwin Hanna	37	39	..	1.3	4.3	8.1
144	98	Allnutt Bro	118	115 ●	..	6.8	5.8	5.0
188	118	Berkeley Cavendish	143	148	..	—	—	—
184	8	Byrne-Aspinwall	7	9	..	—	—	—
378	300	Caledonia	337	345	-2	18.0	5.8	12.8
21	17	Cambria	19½	21½	..	1.8	8.4	9.3
250	218	Cardonald	248	258 ●	-1	12.0	4.5	16.8
21	8	Cardinalgate	—	—	..	—	—	—
262	128	Henry Ansbacher	172	178	..	—	—	2.0
78	11	Charterhouse	15	16	..	—	—	—
125	53	Ivory & Sime	187	127	-1	7.7	6.2	21.0
12	5½	LIT	7½	8½	..	—	—	10.8
157	8	Mill House Leasing	16½	18	+½	12.8	86.5	1.2
34	21	Ownership	22	25	..	—	—	—
87	8	Rutland Trust	13	15 ●	-1	1.1	7.5	8.8
80	48	Shewmanes Plc	75	78	..	—	—	—
58	33	Singer & Friedl	48	49 ●	..	3.3b	7.8	10.7
875	630	Sotheby's	660	725	-12	—	—	—
84	68	S.P. Capital	40	84	-1	4.0	5.8	11.0
280	188	Throgmorton Stock	228	245 ●	-4	—	—	—

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
17½	9¾	American Express	13½	—	●-1¾	—	—	—
17	2¾	Balanced Prptys	—	—	..	—	—	—
252	219	Baring	238	247	-1	8.4	3.8	34.8
705	635	Henderson Adm'n	645	670	-7	30.0	7.8	14.1
111	88	Invesco MIM	104	108 ●	..	7.5	7.8	12.3
229½	147	JZ Int	114	118 ●	+1	7.3	3.0	8.1
688	493	MAM	575	585	..	33.3	5.8	16.5
600	355	M & G	560	565	-3	23.7	4.1	18.2
145	80	Smith New Court	123	127	..	4.7	3.8	27.4

FOODS

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
545	421	AB Food	478	482	-16	15.2	6.2	11.5
149	43	ABH Group	48	53	+4	3.4	8.0	4.8
140	40	Albert Fisher	55	58	-3	4.8	4.0	9.9
35	10	Alpine Group	10	15 ●	..	—	—	—
316	264½	Angel	292	295	..	11.8	4.0	14.2
119	88	Ashby Group	93	95	-1	5.8	3.4	7.3
138	112	Assoc Foods	141	148	..	8.3	5.8	10.2
155	120	Banks (Sidney G)	148	150 ●	-1	10.7	5.9	7.7
250	185	Bell (AS)	199	205	..	8.0	3.5	20.2
88	17	Bernard Ind	38	42	-2	—	—	—
491	400	Bovril	460	468	-1	28.7	6.1	13.4
41½	26	Brit Shrimp	40	88	-1	1.3	3.4	37.4
400	298	Booker Blas	440	445	..	7.2	1.6	18.8
55	28	Budgen	37	40	..	—	—	—
440	214	Cadbury-Schwpp	417	420 ●	-3	13.8	3.7	17.0
167	110	Cadec (Milling)	107	114	..	8.7	8.1	71.2
237	135	Clifford Foods 'A'	212	220 ●	+1	15.2	7.0	8.8
41	23	Cohen (A)	67	28	+1	0.7	1.8	50.4
82	68½	Dairy Farm Intl	88	88	..	—	—	—
488	332	Delyn	472	477	-2	24.7	5.0	11.4

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
80, Holderhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL Tel: 0345 717373 (Lines)				
Mastertrust Acc	62.32	66.73	+0.73	2.86
Intl	53.73	57.76	+0.52	1.30
Div/Gtn	52.02	55.93	+0.22	5.42
Global Gth Sec	53.34	58.63	+0.59	1.77
Ethical	54.28	58.05	+0.64	2.69
High Inc Equity	130.7	148.9w	-1.1	8.72
W-side Bond	212.2	224.9	+1.6	9.67
Gilt/Fixed	116.8	124.0w	+0.7	9.27
ASTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
10, Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ Tel: 0224 633070 dealing (Freephone) 0800 835850 30, Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7DD Tel: 071-374 6001				
Am Inc/Gtn	29.80	31.59w	-0.06	2.51
Euro	59.47	72.71	-0.66	0.30
Euro Inc	72.21	78.19w	-0.65	1.81
Exempt	79.60	82.1w	-3.1	4.67
Extra Inc	40.64	44.04w	+0.45	5.63
F/E Emerg Eo	46.73	50.09	-0.96	1.26
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS				
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL Tel: 0793 514514 Dealing: 0793 615285				
High Inc	357.9	381.1w	-2.0	5.25
Equity Inc	197.0	209.8	+0.4	4.88
High Yield	215.9	229.9	-0.7	5.06
Balanced	308.1	328.0	+2.6	3.39
Am Inc	34.53	36.77	+0.07	1.00
World Ass Vst	32.51	34.62w	+0.14	1.30
Japan	147.0	163.5	+4.8	0.01
Sec of Am	312.8	332.9	-5.4	0.11
BL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 128 Beckenham Kent BR3 4PW Tel: 081-663 3030				
Euro Gth	61.82	67.61	-0.76	1.56
1992 Euro Spc	61.66	65.94	-0.14	1.50
Inc Inc	69.51	73.28	+0.25	2.90
N/Am Gth	49.57	51.94	-1.84	1.06
Pacific Gth	72.04	78.11	-0.23	1.98
UK Gth Acc	83.22	88.86w	-0.79	2.52
Do Dist	73.02	78.00w	-0.69	6.20
UK Income	61.51	65.88w	-0.22	6.84
BARCLAYS UNICORN				
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 Tel: 081-534 5544				
Capit	21.21	57.80	+0.29	3.28
Euro Gth Inc	92.59	98.78w	+0.02	1.76
Extra Inc	96.87	103.6w	-2.52	6.30
General	207.0	221.4w	+1.4	3.87
Gt/Fxd Income	92.61	97.4w	+0.65	9.67
Inc Trust	442.0	473.8	+2.1	6.02
BARING FUND MANAGERS				
PO Box 186, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ Tel: 081-658 6022				
Amer Gth	86.02	89.87	-1.75	0.48
Am Sm Coe	72.82	77.26	-1.44	0.20
Australia	61.28	65.78	+0.54	1.80
Convertible	48.74	49.99w	-0.08	2.01
East	126.5	134.9	-0.5	1.06
Equity Inc	78.28	84.33	+0.04	6.60
Euro Gth	175.7	187.5	-1.0	2.50
Euro Smlr Coe	158.4	168.9	-1.4	0.27
Exempt	70.97	73.17	+0.07	3.90
Gamma Gth	45.45	48.02	-0.23	1.10
Global Gth	82.02	85.58	-0.30	1.06
Jap Gth	169.7	181.9	+0.0	0.00
Jap Smlr	138.5	147.9	-2.5	0.00
Pmnt	99.73	100.8w	+0.10	3.90
Do Acc	170.4	177.4w	+0.4	3.90
UK Growth	67.85	61.64	-0.07	4.20
UK Smlr Coe	73.26	80.51	+0.85	2.30
Select Man	58.29	58.81	+0.05	3.10
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
180, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA Tel: 041-332 3132				
Balan Gth Acc	85.28	91.20w	-0.83	2.71
do Inc	76.47	85.00w	-1.67	2.71
Global Bond	23.32	24.94	+0.10	8.68
High Yield Acc	42.47	45.42w	-0.44	5.16
Do Inc	33.18	35.49w	-0.09	5.19
Inc Gth Acc	62.10	66.42	+0.33	5.18
Do Inc	44.10	47.17	+0.26	5.18
Service Do Acc	73.23	78.32	+0.45	2.46
Do Inc	69.61	74.46	+0.44	2.46
Am Gth Acc	33.30	35.61	-0.25	1.28
Do Inc	32.67	34.95	-0.26	1.28
Euro Gth Acc	26.87	27.97w	-0.08	1.86
Do Inc	25.02	26.76w	-0.08	1.86
Managed Port	25.80	27.59w	-0.10	0.00
BROWN SHIPLEY				
8-17, Pennymount Rd, Haywards Heath Tel: 0444 458144				
Financial	101.5	108.1w	-0.6	4.37
Smlr Coe Acc	201.4	214.5w	+2.1	0.00
Do Inc	121.2	129.2w	+1.2	1.18
High Inc	62.90	67.06w	+0.10	8.62
Income	98.0	104.9w	-1.2	6.17
Man Port Inc	82.36	87.71	-0.26	2.57
Do Acc	182.0	161.8	-1.9	2.20
Nth Amer	76.14	81.98	-0.42	0.27
Orient	100.1	107.7	+3.1	0.38
Recov	32.46	34.57	-0.21	0.42
German	35.82	38.40	-0.44	0.10
Intl Recov	28.00	29.92	-0.20	9.95
Europe	201.40	221.7w	-0.26	0.51
Conv Gent	17.78	18.94w	+0.04	10.05
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
Beaufort House 15 St Botolph St London EC3A 7JJ Tel: 071-247 4942 Dealing: 071-247 7474				
Fellowship Inc	55.70	59.62w	+0.73	2.34
Do Acc	60.13	63.97w	+0.80	2.34
Inc Fund 3	179.8	191.4	+1.9	5.73
Do 2	361.8	400.2	+3.2	5.73
Inv Port Inc	55.87	57.85	+0.22	2.77
Do Acc	61.10	63.24	+0.24	2.77
Smlr Inc 8	167.7	114.6	+0.7	3.08
Do Acc 5	124.3	132.3	+0.9	3.08
Hi Inc Prt Inc	81.37	83.24w	+0.61	6.33
BURRAGE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
117 Fenchurch Street London EC3M 5AL Tel: 071-480 7216				
Shl Gt Fxd Int	63.06	63.89	+0.13	6.38
C&G UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 165 Manchester M60 0AH Tel: 061-837 5000				
Environ	108.1	115.0	+0.9	2.24
UK Growth	119.7	127.4	+0.9	2.37
UK Income	109.7	116.6w	-1.9	5.50
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB Tel: 081-902 8876				
SE Asia	+9.73	93.19w	-0.04	2.21
Growth	40.62	43.45w	+0.13	3.78
Income	49.61	53.05w	+0.16	6.49
Far East	40.01	42.79w	+0.17	0.73
Nth Amer	88.00	98.88w	-1.30	0.63
Global	61.36	65.63	-0.31	0.06
European	58.26	63.38	+0.07	2.90
Japan	97.89	104.7w	+1.78	0.01
Strategic Opp	48.71	52.10	-1.40	1.95
Inc Currency	46.98	46.28w	-1.88	7.98

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF Tel: Enquiries: 061-236 5685 Dealing: 061-236 5362				
Capability Trust				
Am & Gen	90.79	95.69w	-2.97	0.34
Do Acc	98.65	102.6w	-2.52	0.34
European	57.02	60.51	-0.49	1.41
Do Acc	63.71	67.50	-0.73	1.41
F East/Gen	50.88	54.09	+1.83	0.00
Do Acc	50.83	54.09	+1.83	0.00
Glenficlas	220.3	234.4w	-2.1	2.25
Do Acc	240.6	256.0w	-2.3	2.25
Growth	301.8	322.8w	+2.6	2.89
Do Acc	330.5	353.4w	+4.4	2.89
Inc Gth Inc	331.8	353.0	-0.2	5.03
Do Acc	412.7	440.2	-0.2	5.03
Master Portf	104.11	98.33w	-0.46	2.71
Do Acc	104.11	98.84w	+0.10	2.71
Spec Sits	69.46	72.85	+0.35	2.73
Do Acc	77.11	82.04	+0.69	2.78
Exempt Fund				
High Yld Exmt	£10.60	11.06	+0.02	5.46
Do Acc	£11.54	11.90	+0.02	5.46
CAPEL (JAMES) UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
3, Harbour Exchange Square, London, E14 9GU Tel: 071-955 5000 Dealings: 071-955 3055				
Amer Index	146.1	155.9	-2.7	2.13
Capit	473.0	504.7w	-8.8	3.72
Euro Index	111.3	118.7	-0.5	1.68
Euro Growth	72.33	77.11	-0.74	1.97
Far East Gth	69.99	72.65	+1.07	1.78
Global Bond	20.45	21.79	+0.09	8.46
Gold Gen S 9	59.99	63.27	+0.21	2.33
Hong Kong	42.70	45.57	+0.70	3.00
Income	461.0	491.3w	-4.4	5.38
Intl Gth	62.62	66.82	+0.26	1.29
Jap Gth	232.1	237.0w	+7.5	0.00
Jap Smlr Coe	31.82	33.96	+0.61	0.00
Jap Index	67.64	72.09	+3.52	0.31
N Amer	308.2	328.9	-3.7	1.93
Sing Malay	31.82	33.96	-0.38	0.00
Tiger Index	68.57	62.39w	-0.31	1.31
UK Index	111.1	118.5	+0.4	3.08
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
10 Tokenhouse Yard, London EC2R 7AN Tel: 071-606 0706				
Amer Port	67.66	61.66	-0.03	1.76
Euro Port	60.57	64.77w	-1.13	0.86
Jap Port	47.21	50.25	+1.98	0.00
Pacific Port	60.69	65.25	+0.14	3.07
Pmnt	60.68	64.76	+0.08	1.18
UK Inc/Gth	57.62	61.60w	-1.46	5.21
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 071-588 1815				
Income	532.9	559.5w	-2.39	5.44
Acc	£19.44	19.71	+0.02	
Deposit	100.0			10.25
Fixed Int Inc	113.3	119.5w	+1.96	10.04
Do Acc	131.8	131.3w	+3.25	
CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
1 White Hart Yard London Bridge SE1 Tel: 071-407 6066				
Assets	53.28	56.08w	+0.47	2.67
Back Int Cp Ac	63.62	65.34w	+0.18	8.84
Frtr Hse Inc	176.0	188.6	+3.2	5.05
Frtr Hse Cap	277.1	290.1	+2.4	2.85
COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS				
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ Tel: Enquiries 081-681 2222 Dealing 081-686 0678				
Am Gth	75.59	80.41	-0.86	1.83
Euro Gth	76.65	81.44w	-1.06	1.80
Far East	72.62	77.26	+1.39	0.71
Jap Gwth	37.35	39.73	+1.26	0.00
Managed Inc	54.09	58.06	+0.26	6.84
Do Acc	62.85	66.85	+0.23	6.84
Monthly Inc	42.39	45.10w	-0.38	10.06
Smlr Coe Inc	29.54	31.43	+0.08	3.18
Do Acc	31.68	33.70	+0.08	3.18
UK/Gen Inc	62.74	66.74	+0.20	3.84
Do Acc	71.99	76.62	+0.24	3.84
Whole Bond	43.00	53.06w	+0.71	5.36
Do Acc	58.73	63.54w	+0.72	5.36
Whole Sp Sits	44.24	47.32	+0.23	1.20
Do Acc	45.91	49.19	+0.24	1.20
Quilter Gen Inc	167.0	113.0w	+0.51	1.86
Do Acc	115.1	122.5w	+0.56	1.86
Quilter Inc	90.40	96.17	+0.26	5.53
Do Acc	102.2	108.8	+0.29	5.53
Quilter Intl Inc	104.8	111.3	+0.35	0.01
Do Acc	105.6	112.3	+0.36	0.01
City UK S/S Inc	72.30	76.91	-0.03	4.13
Do Accum	93.32	99.26	-0.03	4.13
COMMERCIAL UNION PRESTIGE FUND MANAGEMENT				
Finance/Prop	86.18	95.86w	-0.93	3.13
Fixed/Conv	34.74	36.96	+0.18	9.00
Do Acc	81.75	86.97	-0.36	8.81
Equity Inc	131.9	140.3	-0.11	5.42
Do Acc	362.3	417.3	-0.33	5.42
High Yield Inc	106.2	113.0w	-0.05	8.93
Do Acc	370.0	398.6w	-0.15	6.93
Preference Inc	36.45	40.90w	-0.72	10.53
Do Acc	117.9	188.9w	-0.21	10.53
PPT Europe	130.2	139.6	-0.29	0.00
PPT Global	82.65	86.65	+0.71	3.83
PPT Gld/Com	43.30	46.06	+0.08	2.79
PPT Thai	33.82	35.98	-1.30	0.00
PPT HK	51.93	55.24	+1.08	1.26
PPT Jap	108.0	114.8	+3.11	0.74
PPT Nth Amer	102.5	109.3	-1.57	1.03
PPT Sing/M	67.42	71.72	-1.08	0.00
PPT UK	101.7	108.2	-0.98	1.44
PPT Cash	93.44		+0.14	10.30
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh Tel: 0345 000525				
Amer	83.60	88.83	-2.86	1.18
Capit	136.2	143.0	+0.6	2.09
Convertible	23.06	24.50w	-0.33	8.18
Eurofund	32.65	34.69	-0.15	1.16
Exempt Mngd	147.4	152.9w	-1.8	3.43
Growth/Inc	205.4	218.2	+0.6	5.16
High Diet Intl	151.7	161.2	+1.3	6.98
Intl Inc	272.4	288.4	+0.5	1.73
Pacific	61.61	65.17w	+0.36	0.01
Smlr Jap Cos	34.95	36.71w	+0.81	1.08
Tokyo	180.7	191.3	+5.2	0.00
Ex Am 2	161.9	168.4w	-0.1	1.08
Ex Jap 3	117.7	120.9	+2.8	0.42
Ex Smlr Jap 4	562.0	577.0	+19.4	0.00

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EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ Tel: 0242 577685				
Oriental Op Acc	55.22	58.74w	-0.64	1.48
Japanese	57.04	61.69w	+1.78	0.00
UK Balan Inc	101.8	108.3	+0.6	3.85
Do Acc	118.1	122.4	+0.6	3.85
UK Gth Accum	170.9	181.9	+1.9	2.03
UK Hi Inc	130.2	137.4	+0.7	6.00
UK Hi Inc Acc	139.2	137.4	+0.7	6.00
N Amer Acc	78.10	81.94	-0.02	0.12
Euro Acc	105.8	112.5	-1.8	1.44
UK Pref/Pt Inc	58.62	60.08	+0.22	12.30
Do Acc	81.16	85.08	+0.31	12.30
Intl Sp S Acc	43.19	45.67w	+0.35	0.82
Emrnnt Opp	58.64	62.38	+0.87	2.57
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD				
41, Hertington Gardens London SW7 4JU Tel: 071-373 7261				
Endurance	147.2	158.5w	-1.9	1.93
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Walton Street Aylesbury, HP21 7QW Tel: 0296 431480				
Equitable Pelican	102.6	108.0w	+0.6	4.05
High Inc	112.0	117.9	+0.17	5.86
T Of Inc Ta	114.8	120.8	+0.37	3.22
Spec Sits	95.47	101.5w	+0.05	4.23
N Am	72.73	76.59w	-1.41	1.07
Far East	172.8	181.9	+0.03	1.18
Inc Gth	74.65	78.61	+0.27	1.24
Euro	56.43	59.40	+0.07	1.58
Smlr Coe	58.86	61.96	+0.65	3.36
EQUITY & LAW				
St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1BD Tel: 0203 683231				
UK Gth Accum	268.2	285.4c	+1.7	3.33
Do Inc	201.7	214.6c	+1.3	3.33
Higher Inc Acc	474.3	504.6c	+3.3	4.82
Do Inc	314.1	334.2c	+0.6	4.82
Gilts/Fixd Acc	142.0	148.5w	+0.6	6.73
Do Inc	81.98	88.17w	+0.33	6.73
N America	177.5	188.4c	-5.3	0.00
Far East	232.5	247.7c	+6.2	0.28
Europe	201.5	214.4w	+0.6	0.00
Gwnt	363.4	388.7c	+1.0	3.43
Gwnt Acc	368.1	407.0w	+1.0	3.43
Sr Excellence	58.10	59.65	-0.06	3.01
Sr Pinnacle Inc	67.41	61.09w	-0.02	0.02
Do Acc	69.46	73.90w	-0.03	0.02
Global Opp	57.91	61.61	-0.29	0.01
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Road Hildenborough Kent TN11 9DZ Tel: 0800 414161				
American	158.6	167.7	-3.3	0.00
Cash Unit	192.2b	e +0.20	10.77	
European	95.50	100.1c	-1.84	0.00
Gilt/Inc	131.9	140.3	+0.7	5.12
Inc Plus	100.3	112.9	-0.2	7.09
UK Gth	54.89	58.65	+0.17	0.00
FOREIGN & COLONIAL				
8th Floor, Exchange Hse Primrose Street London EC2A 2NY Tel: 071-628 8000				
Euro Income	76.61	83.06	-0.72	3.71
Far East	118.4	126.0w	-0.7	0.00
Chinese Income	68.44	73.86	-0.34	3.25
UK Growth	68.49	74.66	-0.33	1.72
UK Inc Fixed	105.2	112.5	-0.2	5.78
US Smlr Cos	137.7	147.9	-1.4	0.00
FRANKLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
155, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3YT Tel: 071-374 4100				
Am Smlr Cos	289.2	313.2w	-2.6	..
Do Acc	304.4	329.6w	-2.7	..
Capit Inc	258.4	274.8w	+3.9	2.94
Do Acc	347.3	369.4w	+5.2	2.94
Cont Smlr Inc	41.08	43.7b	-0.32	0.10
Do Acc	41.74	44.5b	-0.33	0.10
Conv Inc	116.5	112.8	+0.7	7.06
Do Acc	179.7	190.4	+1.1	7.06
Euro Inc	88.01	93.9b	-0.16	0.78
Do Acc	98.41	104.9b	-0.19	0.78
Extra Inc Inc	257.9	273.8	+1.2	5.38
Do Acc	330.4	381.9	+1.9	5.38
Financial Acc	64.88	68.01	+0.12	0.84
Do Inc	62.71	66.30	+0.13	0.84
Inc Trust	168.4	179.1	+1.2	4.83
Do Acc	215.1	228.8	+1.4	4.83
Inc Gth	246.9	263.0	-2.6	..
Do Acc	273.0	290.7	-2.9	..
Jap & Gen Inc	147.9	156.5	+2.1	..
Do Acc	148.4	160.1	+2.1	..
Mangd Port Inc	78.23	83.50	+0.36	1.95
Do Acc	80.01	84.22	+0.36	1.95
Monthly Inc	191.2	136.5w	-0.8	5.29
Recov	212.5	230.7	+0.5	1.18
Do Acc	245.7	266.8	+0.6	1.18
Smlr Inc	46.14	49.2w	+0.08	0.47
Do Acc	44.45	47.28w	+0.22	3.54
Gilt Gth Inc	92.00	63.97	+0.32	5.02
Do Acc	67.37	69.46	+0.36	5.02
Gilt Inc Inc	67.71	59.51w	-0.29	6.53
Do Acc	67.91	70.02w	+0.40	6.53
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH Tel: Dealing: 0722 411411 Admin: 0722 411822				
Equity Diet	283.8	312.5	+4.29	3.55
Do Acc	584.7	607.7	+8.24	3.55
Euro Gth Diet	554.6	604.6	+1.3	0.00
Do Acc	91.31	97.14	-0.62	0.67
Fixed Int Diet	117.4	124.2w	+0.48	7.84
Do Acc	184.2	194.9w	+0.77	7.84
Int Gth Diet	62.43	66.41	+0.07	0.68
Do Acc	69.94	69.02	+0.06	0.68
N Am Diet	135.5	144.2	-3.79	1.26
Do Acc	144.5	153.7	-4.02	1.26
Pref Stock Diet	192.6	204.3	+3.27	0.33
Do Acc	194.4	206.8	+3.32	0.33
Stock Inc Diet	283.3	289.4	+8.24	2.87
Do Acc	289.0	307.4	+7.11	2.87
Stock Inc Diet	54.38	57.85	+0.98	5.05
Do Acc	63.10	67.18	+0.94	5.05
NAm Stock Diet	68.86	73.24	-1.61	0.28
Do Acc	72.60	77.23	-1.70	0.28
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ Tel: 071-283 2575 Dealing: 071-626 9431				
Am Sp Sits	86.20	91.13	-2.55	0.00
UK Cap Inc	146.6	156.0	+1.1	4.08
Do Acc	230.8	258.5	+1.8	4.08
Do Spec Sits	55.59	59.40w	+0.64	1.91
Inc Fund	100.0	107.0w	+0.2	7.85
Intl	187.0	200.0	+0.8	1.25
US/Gen	64.98	69.11	+0.84	0.66
Jap & Gen	372.9	398.6	+14.4	0.00
Far East/Gen	195.2	208.6	+3.0	0.29
Euro	312.4	333.4	-2.1	1.16
Germany	84.27	89.47w	-0.39	0.48
Intl Inc	56.77	59.39	+0.16	0.69
World Spec Sit	92.04	98.44	+1.11	0.18
Global Prp Inc	48.58	61.97	+0.20	2.86
Do Acc	50.13	53.62	+0.21	2.86
Smlr Coe Div	43.58	46.61	+0.25	6.00

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GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
Gartmore House, 16-19 Worship St, London EC2A 2AJ Tel: 071-638 1212 Dealing: 0277 284431 Services: 0800 289336				
UK Growth Trusts				
British Gth	35.92	38.42	+0.25	2.60
Cash	116.7b	e	+0.17	10.39
Pract Inv Inc	60.93	67.40w	+0.39	3.57
Do Acc	169.6	200.2w	+0.40	3.57
UK Sml Cos	102.5	109.6w	-1.53	2.70
Income Trusts				
Extra Inc	63.65	68.09	+0.11	12.27
Preference	61.97	23.07	+0.08	12.27
High Inc	32.01	34.24s	+0.25	3.67
Income	110.1	117.7	+1.05	9.77
Intl Fed Inc	23.62	24.69w	+0.23	7.16
International Trusts				
Gold Intl	63.43	68.02	-0.81	1.44
Eurowinners	17.09	18.34	-0.11	0.65
Frontier Mkts	31.85	34.18	-0.62	0.52
Glob Inc/Gth	69.21	66.89w	-1.74	2.56
UK/Intl	91.74	98.12	+1.40	2.88
Overseas Trusts				
American	67.58	69.80	-1.88	1.40
European	63.32	67.05	-0.11	1.40
Euro Sml Opp	82.68	88.13	-0.20	1.44
Am Energy	44.18	47.38	-0.75	0.00
Hong Kong	64.74	68.88	-0.10	2.80
Japan	167.2	177.8	+8.30	0.00
Pacific Gth	66.21	62.48	-0.36	1.67
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT LTD				
33 Robinson Hse, 4, Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR Tel: 071-378 7979 Dealing: 071-588 0626				
Inc Gth	104.5	111.8	-0.57	0.88
Amer Growth	78.01	84.50	-1.02	0.23
Euro Growth	58.28	62.98w	-0.88	0.68
Ger Horizons	41.14	43.95	-0.21	0.83
Jap Growth	68.62	73.38s	+1.46	0.00
Pacific Inc	62.48	66.80	+0.02	3.69
Pacific Strat	61.61	65.00	-1.10	0.00
UK Prog Inc	72.68	77.38	+1.22	8.81
Gt Britain	45.80	48.98	+0.24	2.44
UK Smll Co	40.10	42.88w	+0.28	3.25
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
36 Harbour Exchange Square London E14 9GE Tel: 071-538 9460				
Cash	119.0		+0.2	10.46
Gt/Fxd Interest	108.7	118.3	+0.4	8.69
Gth Equity	285.2	303.4	-0.2	2.93
Guardhill	372.4	397.9	-0.1	2.96
Inc Tst	102.9	109.9	-0.5	6.10
Intl	124.6	133.4w	-0.5	0.89
Managed	483.4	518.4	-3.4	..
N Amer	180.1	192.4	-4.4	0.48
Pacific	301.2	321.7	+4.0	0.00
Prop Share	210.8	225.2	-1.9	4.72
Smlr Cos	231.5	246.7	+2.7	2.80
Euro Trust	313.7	335.1	-1.8	0.89
HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
PO Box 600 Edinburgh EH15 1BW Tel: 0 0800 699999				
Global Adv Inc	29.67	31.77	+0.25	2.24
Global Adv Acc	30.65	32.48	+0.25	2.24
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Admin: 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Tel: Enquiries 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 600399				
Amer Equity	92.10	98.0w	-2.20	4.28
Canadian	46.75	52.22	-0.25	0.95
Equity Inc	100.4	106.8	-0.1	6.66
Euro	118.9	126.1	-0.8	1.66
High Inc	85.17	89.33w	+0.16	7.78
Intl Stks	98.98	64.18	+0.76	0.00
Jap & Far East	90.08	95.55c	-0.82	0.00
Pmnt	75.54	79.38	+0.08	3.90
Smlr Companies	98.43	106.3b	-1.29	0.94
Smlr Cos	26.89	30.83s	-0.62	2.82
UK New Comm	36.93	39.29	+0.50	2.16
HENDERSON				
Premier UT Administration Admin: 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex Tel: 0277 261010				
Am Smlr Cos	67.85	72.52c	+0.72	0.00
Asian Enterprise	74.76	80.19	-0.14	1.69
Australian	119.2	127.5w	+1.06	3.86
European	29.0	31.2	-2.85	0.00
Exempt	67.54	71.34	+0.47	3.90
Euro Smlr Cos	105.7	112.3c	-0.68	0.65
Extra Inc	228.1	259.5w	+0.07	6.42
Family of Fds	88.91	90.88	-0.03	1.97
Fixed Interest	49.47	53.69w	+0.02	8.30
Global Resource	70.61	76.70	+0.26	1.94
High Inc	270.8	288.5	+0.11	5.50
Income/Gth Inc	214.8	228.6	+1.50	4.98
Do Acc	308.2	341.2	+2.14	4.98
Intl	163.9	185.5w	-0.83	1.25

Woosnam's No. 1 golf ranking under threat

Olazábal charges two shots clear at halfway stage

Stuttgart — José-María Olazábal insists he is running on low batteries, but he still had enough energy left to outshine his Ryder Cup colleagues in the German Masters in Stuttgart yesterday.

A round of 64, which included nine birdies, left him two strokes clear of the field at nine under par after two rounds as he chased his fourth tournament victory of the season. Malcolm Mackenzie, from Sheffield, lies second after a 67, two shots behind, with Steven Richardson (71), Nick Faldo (71) and Vicente Fernández, of Argentina (71), a stroke further in arrears.

Olazábal could have matched Ian Woosnam's year-old course record of 62 had he not missed when trying to save par at the 11th, and then rolled two birdie putts wide from within ten feet.

Woosnam's grip on the No. 1 world ranking is also under threat. Victory here would enable Olazábal to unseat him after nearly six months at the top, although Olazábal says that has not given him any extra motivation.

He is surprised, though, at his continued good form after taking the Epson Grand Prix title with a score of 19 under par at St Pierre, and winning three-and-a-half points in the Ryder Cup at Kiawah Island.

"My batteries are very low after the Ryder Cup," Olazábal said. "I just thought I'd see how I was going on after two rounds. I expected nothing.

Olazábal would be the fifth European to head the world rankings after Bernhard Langer, Ballesteros, Faldo and Woosnam, who has been at the top since he won the Masters in April, but is resting this week.

"Being world No. 1 is not important to me," Olazábal said. "Besides, nobody can really say he is the best player in the world."

Faldo and Ballesteros would probably agree with that. Ballesteros blasted his drive out of bounds at the last, then put his fourth into a bunker before eventually holing out for a double bogey seven. He finished with a 72 for three under par.

Faldo birdied just one of the par-fives, the 2nd, and took six at the par-four 16th after carving a six-iron into trees.

The holder, Sam Torrance, booked an early flight back to Largs after a 71 failed to make amends for his "tired, demoralised and disorientated" 78 the previous day.

☐ **Cairns, Australia** — Danielle Ammaccapane, of the United States, tamed the fierce Paradise Palms course yesterday in the first round of the women's world championship.

Ammaccapane, aged 25, recorded a four-under-par 69, three strokes ahead of Corinne Dibnah, of Australia, Laura Davies, of Britain, and her compatriot, Dottie Mochrie.

"It's a very difficult course," Ammaccapane said. "It's tough. I have a headache right now. Yon have to think so much out there."

SCORES FROM STUTTGART

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Holders safely through

CLIFTON, holders of the Grafton Morrish Trophy, reached the third round yesterday with wins at Hunstanton, where the event continues today, and at Royal West Norfolk golf club, Brancaster (a Special Correspondent writes).

For their Brancaster game against Malvern, they brought in a local member, Jonathon Wright, who performed well.

Only one of the Scottish sides, Robert Gordons, the 1988 winners, survived. Loretto and Dollar Academy mustered only five men, instead of six; and consequently forfeited games.

Charterhouse, who had topped the Stableford qualifying competition in the London region, lost to Epsom, the runners-up. Likewise, the West Midland top qualifiers, Greshams, went out to the next best, Ipswich.

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Rodriguez moves closer to his goal

Clemmons, North Carolina — Chi Chi Rodriguez is within reach of a career-long goal. "I want to be No. 1," the little man with the Panama hat said before a practice session for the $1.5 million Vantage Championship, the Senior PGA Tour's richest event that began yesterday.

Rodriguez, along with Mike Hill, has four victories this season. Rodriguez also has four second-place finishes, including a play-off loss to Jack Nicklaus in the US Senior Open.

On being No. 1, Rodriguez, on Thursday, said: "Tommy Bolt told me a long time ago that if you aren't playing to win, you shouldn't play; if you aren't playing to be No. 1, you should pack up the clubs.

"At the start of the season, I thought if I could beat Lee [Trevino] I could be No. 1. But that Mexican is still around and he's still tough.

"Of course, if Jack Nicklaus wanted to play a lot, nobody could beat him. If he didn't do anything but play golf, nobody on this tour, nobody on the other tour could beat him. He's the best I've ever seen."

On technology: "I hit the ball about as long now as I ever did. It's the technology we have now. Most of it is the ball. If Sam Snead and Ben Hogan had the equipment we have oow, they would have shot in the 50s every week. It doesn't take much skill to hit a golf ball. And it's easier when you've got equipment like we have today."

On his age: "I'll be 56 later this month. That's not old. That's middle-aged. I'm going to live to be 112 so 56 is middle-aged."

On his putting: "My game has been fantastic, except for putting. I think I stumbled into something last week with that. I moved the ball back in my stance about 12 inches and it's really helped. I've been seeing the line a lot better." *(AP)*

Tipping the balance: Stefan Edberg volleys in his 6-4, 7-5 win over Michael Chang at the Australian indoor tennis championships in Sydney. Results, page 37

BASKETBALL

Winters ban hits Kingston

KINGSTON may protest to Fiba, the International Basketball Federation, over the circumstances which prevented the American, Voise Winters, from appearing in the European Cup tie against Mechelen on Thursday (Nicholas Harling writes). The absence of the 6ft 10in forward, from Chicago, was, Kingston feel, a contributory factor in their 86-76 defeat.

Although Winters had signed only 48 hours before the game as a short-term replacement for the injured Alan Cunningham, Kingstoo had passed all the necessary paper work to the sport's governing body in time, they assumed, for him to play. Yet, on reaching Belgium, Kevin Cadle, the Kingston coach, discovered to his fury, that Fiba would not sanction the player's appearance.

"If it had been Barcelona, Maccabi, or Milan, he would have been registered, no problem," Cadle said yesterday. "But because it's Kingston, he doesn't get registered. That's nonsense."

It was as his team struggled to hold oo to its 48-33 half-time lead that Cadle was made to rue the fact that Winters was sitting out the game.

"If we'd had the extra body, we would have been fine, no doubt about it," he said. "That hurt us, not having a man who was rightfully ours." Kingston did have one extra man, in Martin Clark, but the former England international, who came out of retirement, was clearly not match fit.

Two three-pointers from Colin Irish just before the interval had enabled Kingston to add to Martin Henlan's good work by laying the foundations for a seemingly certain victory. But, from theo on, the English club was subjected to an extraordinary burst from the Belgians, particularly Herman (19 points).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Castleford hope Bradley will halt their slide

By Keith Macklin

AFTER two disappointing and damaging defeats which have seen them tumble to halfway in the first division, Castleford need a victory against Widnes tomorrow to pick them up. They have enterprisingly moved quickly to strengthen their squad by giving a contract to Graeme Bradley, who played centre for Penrith Panthers, the Australian champions, at Anfield on Wednesday.

Castleford hope to include Bradley in their team despite the fact that he had just completed a gruelling season down under before Wednesday's tough game.

They need to restore their confidence after the 25-14 hammering at St Helens, a match in which they were at one time trailing 25-0.

Widnes have their own problems, since Martin Offiah is reputedly fit again, but the Great Britaio wing is proving an awkward customer, particularly since Wigan made public the badly kept secret that they have offered Widnes £250,000 for him.

Offiah has said repeatedly that he does not wish to play for Widnes, obviously with an eye to a move to Central Park, but Jim Mills, the Widnes chairman, has said with equal determination that Offiah will stay and honour his contract, which has six years to run.

It will be interesting to see whose will prevails. Widnes cannot afford to lose Offiah.

Hull, having got off the ground with a win at Wakefield last week, should collect further points at home to **Salford**, who are struggling on their return to the first division.

The same must be said of Salford's near neighbours, **Swinton**, who will do well to overcome Hull **Kingston Rovers** in a battle between promoted clubs at Station Road.

Wigan are moviog nicely into top gear and their attendance at Central Park agaiost **Featherstone Rovers** will be considerably boosted not merely by the win over Penrith but by the first appearance of their Australian import, Gene Miles.

☐ Paul Penrice, of **Workington Town**, has been banned for four games after being sent off against Carlisle nine days ago. Martin Oglanby, also of Workington, Keith Bell, of **Hunslet**, and Gary Kendall, of **Barrow**, have all beeo given two-match bans.

CYCLING

Boardman steps up his mileage

By Peter Bryan

CHRIS Boardman, Britain's brightest hope for an Olympic medal in Barcelona next year, will be glad when he finishes his season by defending his national hill climb title near Keighley at the end of the month.

This year, he has gathered a handful of national road and track titles, broken a world record and, more recently, inspired a oational 4,000 metres team pursuit record on the Olympic track. "It's been a hard year and the pressure has never been off," he said.

Boardman fears that he has eased back too much in his training recently; why else, he asks, was he beaten for only the second time this year in a road race last weekend? The defeat, he believes, was not because of a tactical error but rather a physical weakness.

This week, he has stepped up his traioing from a standard eight hours to 14 in the hope that he can win, for a fifth time, the Merseyside invitation 32-mile time-trial near Chester tomorrow.

BRIDGE

Flourish by women

BRITAIN'S women came good in their last two Venice Cup qualifying matches in Tokyo yesterday, beating the front-runners, China, 21-9 and crushing Egypt, their close rivals, 25-0 (Albert Dormer writes).

In the quarter-finals, which start today, they are drawn against United States II. Their pairs are: Elizabeth McGowan and Sandra Penfold; Jane Preddy and Vi Mitchell; K Preddy and Jill Casey.

The British men cruised through the Bermuda Bowl round robin, taking secood place behind Iceland. In the quarter-finals, Britain have a tough draw against Poland, their closest challenger in the recent European championship. Their pairs are: Tony Forrester and Andy Robson; Tony Sowter and Roman Smolksi; and John Armstrong and Graham Kirby.

In another unfortunate draw, Brazil, the reigning Bermuda Bowl champions, meet United States I, the previous winners. Sweden play Argentina and United States play Iceland.

Bough's switch puts ITV's rugby on top

By Ken Lawrence

SPORT ON TELEVISION

THE WEEK IN VIEW

THIS is the week when the BBC will really feel the pain of losing out to ITV in the Rugby World Cup. The gnashing of teeth at Shepherd's Bush will be enough to drown a Concorde take-off. Tomorrow there will no sport oo our national channel, while its commercial rival not only has Ireland and Scotland in World Cup rugby action but the top football match of the weekend, Manchester United v Liverpool.

To pile on the agony, when there are five rugby matches on Wednesday, Desmond Lynam will be introducing a *Sportsnight* that reports oo the progress of Britain's Olympic skiers, Pat Barrett's title bout in Manchester and the Horse of the Year show at Wembley.

Having endured the abysmal American camera-work from the Ryder Cup io the most admirable stoic silence (only the scalpel-like "everyone has their own way of doing things I suppose." from Peter Alliss demonstrated their frustration), to now be faced with the world's third biggest sporting showpiece on ITV and Screensport must be almost too much to bear.

As Frank Bough (ironically once a *Grandstand* stalwart) says: "These are very good sports days for ITV. We are in the driving seat for the next mooth." Then he adds: "I feel sorry for the BBC, I really do."

If you believe that then you believe that Ireland are going to win the World Cup. But Bough has made a superb return to televisioo's sporting stage after a ten-year absence. "You were brilliant," his colleagues toasted in their celebrations after the England-New Zealand game.

Wheo ITV won the right to screeo the World Cup, most expected them to buy up Bill McLaren, the BBC's "voice of rugby". Indeed, they thought about doing so for a while, but then decided to take the wise old head of Bough as team leader and build a new squad that, in the words of Bob Burrows, *ITV's head of sport*: "Would breathe fresh air into rugby coverage." Which is precisely what they have done.

THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY: Memories of a 28-24 defeat by Japan the last time they met should not stop Scotland from a winning start to their *World Cup* rugby campaign (ITV, 1.10-4.45pm). Italy v United States, who are in England's pool, play at Otley (1pm). Screensport also shows both (from 12.45pm) while Canada's match in France against Fiji is also live on the satellite channel (7.45pm).

TOMORROW: The Welsh and Irish matches ara both live on Screensport (from 12.45pm): ITV shows Wales (12.40pm) but because of the Manchester United v Liverpool football match (2.45) it has highlights of Ireland.

MONDAY: All quiet on every front. *Pot Black* (BBC1, 3pm) sees Jimmy White seeking a semi-final place and there are German Masters golf highlights on Screensport (10.40pm).

TUESDAY: New Zealand and England taka on the minnows. The holders face the United States, England entertain Italy (3pm). Both are live on ITV (from 12.50) and Screensport (12.45). The satellite channel is also live (7.45pm) with France-Fiji and adds the Nigel Benn bout from Brentwood (10.30pm).

WEDNESDAY: Ten rugby teams are in action in the World Cup: Between them, ITV and Screensport will show all the action.

THURSDAY: BBC can show the Americans just how a golf tournament should be covered when the Dunhill Cup begins at St Andrews (BBC1, 2.15pm). The Horse of the Year show does not start until 11.55pm on BBC1, when Harvey Smith can be seen in the Puissance — an event he first won 24 years ago.

FRIDAY: England complete their World Cup preliminaries at Twickenham against the *United States* (ITV 2.20). Screensport has Dunhill Cup golf at St Andrews either side of the match (2.15-6pm).

GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

3.0 unless stated

Barclays League
First division

Arsenal v Chelsea
Aston Villa v Luton
Everton v Tottenham
Leeds Utd v Sheffield Utd
Oldham v Southampton
QPR v Nottm Forest
Sheffield Wed v Crystal Palace
West Ham v Coventry
Wimbledon v Norwich

Second division

Bristol Rovers v Middlesbrough
Derby County v Bristol City
Ipswich v Oxford
Leicester v Charlton
Millwall v Blackburn
Plymouth v Swindon
Portsmouth v Newcastle
Port Vale v Cambridge
Sunderland v Brighton
Watford v Grimsby
Wolverhampton v Barnsley

Third division

Bolton v Torquay
Chester v Stoke (all ticket)
Darlington v Bury
Fulham v Brentford
Hartlepool v Wigan
Huddersfield v Swansea
Hull v Exeter
Peterborough v Leyton Orient
Reading v Bournemouth
Shrewsbury v Birmingham
Stockport v Bradford

Fourth division

Burnley v Carlisle
Cardiff v Wrexham
Doncaster v Crewe
Gillingham v Chesterfield
Lincoln v Halifax
Mansfield v Maidstone
Northampton v Blackpool
Scunthorpe v Hereford
Walsall v Barnet
York v Scarborough

GM Vauxhall Conference

Boston v Farnborough
Colchester v Altrincham
Kettering v Stafford
Northwich v Yeovil
Redbridge Forest v Cheltenham
Runcorn v Wycombe
Slough v Barrow
Telford v Bath
Welling v Gateshead

B and Q Scottish League
Premier division

Aberdeen v St Mirren
Airdrie v Rangers
Celtic v Hearts
Falkirk v Dundee Utd
Hibernian v Dunfermline
St Johnstone v Motherwell

First division

Ayr Utd v Stirling Albion
Clydebank v Meadowbank
Dundee v Partick
Forfar v Kilmarnock
Morton v Montrose
Raith Rovers v Hamilton

Second division

Alloa v Dumbarton
Berwick v Albion Rovers
Brechin v Cowdenbeath
Clyde v Queens Park
East Fife v Arbroath
Queen of the South v East Stirling
Stenhousemuir v Stranraer

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Basingstoke v St Albans; Bishop's Stortford v Staines; Bromley v Hayes; Chesham v Wokingham; Enfield v Bognor; Harrow v Kingstonian; Hendon v Dagenham; Sutton Utd v Marlow; Windsor and Eton v Aylesbury; Wivenhoe v Carshalton; Woking v Grays. First division: Abingdon v Dorking; Barking v Chalfont St Peter; Boreham Wood v Harlow; Croydon v Yeading; Leyton Wingate v Molesey; Tooting and Mitcham v Hitchin; Uxbridge v Stevenage Borough; Walton and Hersham v Maidenhead; Wembley v Aveley; Whyteleafe v Dulwich. Second division: Billericay v Hungerford; Purfleet v Harefield

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: President's Cup: First round: Eastwood Town v Buxton; Emley v Fleetwood. First division: Alfreton v Warrington; Guiseley v Winsford; Harrogate v Worksop; Radcliffe Borough v Bridlington Town; Rossendale v Farsley Celtic.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Atherstone v Gravesend; Bashley v Corby; Burton v Dover, Cambridge City v Trowbridge; Crawley v Bromsgrove; Dartford v Waterlooville; Dorchester v Wealdstone; Gloucester v Chelmsford; Halesowen v Fisher Athletic, Poole v VS Rugby; Worcester v Moor Green. Southern division: Andover v Ashford; Braintree v Gosport Borough; Dunstable v Havant; Erith and Belvedere v Hythe; Fareham v Canterbury; Hastings v Sudbury; Margate v Weymouth; Salisbury v Baldock. Midland division: Bedworth v Barry; Grantham v Alvechurch; King's Lynn v Dudley; Leicester v Yate; Nuneaton Borough v Sutton Coldfield; Stroud v Rushden.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Liverpool v Aston Villa (2.0).

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Tottenham v Ipswich (2.0); Southampton v Wimbledon (2.0).

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Ards v *Glentoran*; *Ballyclare* v Newry, *Carrick* v Ballymena; Coleraine v Glenavon, Crusaders v Larne; Linfield v Bangor, Omagh v Distillery; Portadown v Cliftonville

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Shamrock v Athlone (3.30).

SOUTHERN OLYMPIAN LEAGUE: First *division: Old Parmiterians v Parkfield.*

OLD BOYS LEAGUE: Premier division: Old Tenisonians v Old Danes; Glyn Old Boys v Enfield Old Boys; Latymer Old Boys v Old Aloysians; Old Meadonians v Old Ignatians; Chertsey v Ravenscroft; C Manning v Tansley

NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Blyth Spartans v *Shildon*; Easington Colliery v Newcastle Blue Star; Murton v Ferryhill Athletic; South Bank v Consett; Seaham Red Star v Peterlee Newtown, Tow Law v Brandon; Whickham v Billingham Synthonia; Whitby v Northallerton

JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Brantham Athletic v *Chatteris*; Cornard v Wisbech; Great Yarmouth v Haverhill; Norwich v Harwich and Parkeston; Thetford v Histon.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Saltash v Dawlish; Paulton v Bideford; Weston-super-Mare v Taunton.

ABACUS WELSH LEAGUE: National division: Pembroke v Caldicot, Ebbw Vale v Llanelli

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Eastwood Hanley v Great Harwood; Bacup Borough v Bradford Park Avenue.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: North Ferriby v Ossett Town; North Shields v Maltby MW, Pontefract Colliery v Spennymoor.

ALLBRIGHT BITTER WELSH CUP: Second round: Bangor City v Porthmadog; Brecon Corinthians v Caersws, British Aerospace v Chirk AAA; Briton Ferry Athletic v Afan Lido; Buckley v Llay Royal British Legion; Caerleon v Ton Pentre, Cardiff Civil Service v Port Talbot Athletic, Cemaes Bay v Llanfairpwll, Connah's Quay Nomads v Colwyn Bay (2.0); Cwmbran Town v Taffs Well; Flint Town United v Caernarfon Town (2.0); Gresford Athletic v Llay Welfare, Haverfordwest v Abercynon, Hednesford Town v Penrhyncoch, Holywell Town v Llanudno; Inter Cardiff v Ferndale Athletic, Kidderminster Harriers v Morda United, Llansantffraid v Llanidloes Town; Maesteg Park v Llanwern; Morriston Town v Tonyrefail Welfare; Mostyn v Rhyl; New Broughton v Penycae, Newport AFC v Bridgend Town: Newtown v Aberystwyth Town, Pontllanfraith v Abergavenny Thursdays, Porthcawl Town v Merthyr Tydfil, Stourbridge v Carmarthen

ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Old Chigwellians v Old Reptonians, Old Cholmeleians v Old Malvernians, Old Foresters v Old Carthusians. First division: Old Bradfieldians v Old Westminsters. Old Haileyburians v Old Salopians, Old Wellingburians v Old Aldenhamians, Old Wykehamists v Old Ardinians.

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: First division: Midland Bank v Carshalton; Old Actonians v British Petroleum, Old Esthameians v Civil Service. Norsemen v Nat West Bank; West Wickham v Winchmore Hill

RUGBY UNION

3.0 unless stated

ADT Divisional Championship

London v South West (at Imber Court)
Midlands v North (at Moseley)

ADT County Championship
South, first division

Cornwall v Hampshire (at Redruth)
Middlesex v Hertfordshire (at Saracens, 2.30)

Second division

Kent v Berkshire (at Askeans, 2.30)
Surrey v Devon (at London Irish)

Third division

Gloucestershire v Somerset (at Clifton)
Sussex v Dorset and Wiltshire (at Worthing)

Fourth division

Oxfordshire v Bucks (at Oxford)

North, second division

Northumberland v North Midlands (at Northern, 2.30)
Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire (at Syston)

Third division

Staffordshire v East Midlands (at Burton, 2.30)

Club matches

Aberavon v Cardiff (2.30)
Blackheath v Clifton
Boroughmuir v Durham City
Bridgend v Ebbw Vale (2.30)
Broughton Park v Wakefield
Cheltenham v Weston super Mare
Cross Keys v Newbridge
Gala v Langholm
Gloucester v Exeter
Headingley v Wasps
Leicester v Coventry
Liverpool St Helens v Preston G
Llanharan v Pontypridd
London Welsh v South Wales Police
Loughborough Univ v Fylde
Maesteg v Abertillery (2.30)
Morley v London Irish (2.30)
Newcastle Gosforth v Bradford
Nottingham v London Scottish
Nuneaton v Pontypool
Oxford Univ v Univ College Cork
Penarth v Berry Hill
Plymouth Albion v Metropolitan Police
Richmond v Rosslyn Park
Rugby v Neath
Sheffield v Sale
Swansea v Saracens
Waterloo v Vale of Lune
Watsonians v West of Scotland
West Hartlepool v Orrell
Wrexham v Tredegar

HEINEKEN WELSH LEAGUE: Third division: Aberavon Quins v Blaina; Llandovery v Mountain Ash; Narberth v Bonymaen; Rumney v Tenby Utd; Wrexham v Treorchy. Fourth division: Blackwood v Ruthin, Kidwelly v Abercynon, Pontypool Utd v Cilfynydd, St Peters v Kenfig Hill; Ystradgynlais v Tumble

IRELAND: Club matches: Ards v Queen's University, Belfast; Bangor v Ballymena; Blackrock College v Garryowen; Bohemians v Dublin University, Dolphin v Cork Constitution, Highfield v Sunday's Well, Instonians v Wanderers, Lansdowne v Malone, NIFC v City of Derry; Portadown v Collegians, St Mary's College v Moseley, Terenure Col v Young Munster; UC Dublin v Greystones

RUGBY LEAGUE

NATIONAL AMATEUR RUGBY LEAGUE: First division: Askam v Barrow Island, Dudley Hill v Leigh East, Heworth v *Egremont; Leigh MW v St Patricks*; Millom v Saddleworth, Woolston v Mayfield. Second division: Dewsbury Celtic v Greetland AR, East Leeds v Lock Lane, Moldgreen v Beverley; Oulton v Milford, Redhill v Shaw Cross, West Hull v Walney Central

HOCKEY

TYPHOO WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Sherwood v FP Sutton Coldfield. Slough v Wimbledon, Yate and South Gloucestershire v Doncaster, Hightown v Ealing Ipswich v Clifton Chelmsford v Leicester

TOUR MATCH: Lille (Fr) v Hampstead and Westminster (at Paddington)

BASKETBALL

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: England v American All Stars (at National Indoor Arena, Birmingham, 7.30)

CARLSBERG NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men. Second division: Coventry Flyers v Middlesboro Mohawks; Watford Rebels v Doncaster Eagles. Third division: Calderdale Explorers V Stevenage Phoenix, Cheshire Bulls V Mid Sussex Magic; Chiltern Fastbreak V Swindon Sonics, Sedgefield Racers V Solent Stars. Women: First division: Hemel Hempstead v London Jets, Nottingham Wildcats v London Central YMCA, Rhondda v Leicester. Second division: Camberley Golden Eagle v Northampton 86'ers, Cheshire v Milton Keynes O Cats, Sunderland v Doncaster

ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN NATIONAL LEAGUE: Premier division: Ayr Raiders v Nottingham Panthers, Norwich and Peterborough Pirates v Billingham Bombers, Humberside Seahawks v Durham Wasps, Bracknell Bees v Cardiff Devils. First division: Basingstoke Beavers v Trafford Metros, Fife Flyers v Swindon Wildcats, Milton Keynes Kings v Blackburn Blackhawks, Slough Jets v Telford Tigers

ENGLISH LEAGUE: First division: Solent Vikings v Solihull Barons. Sunderland Indians v Sheffield Steelers

VOLLEYBALL

ROYAL BANK NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men: First division: Aquila v Coventry Riga Speedwell Rucanor v Hilton Leeds; Polonia Ealing v Wessex; Team Mizuno Malory v Reebok Liverpool County, Newcastle (Staffs) VC v Manchester Utd. Second division: RAF v Gateshead Armitage Essex Etonian v Dalston Old Boys, Team Knights I v Church St, Eastway Men v Weymouth Jewson, RTB Chester v Malory II, Radio Trent Rockets v Dynamo London. Women: Second division: Lakeland Ladies v Purbrook (Portsmouth), Reebok Liverpool City v Speedwell; Polonia Ladies v Chelmsford Partners; Dynamo London II v Spark, Radio Trent Rockets v Manchester Utd

LACROSSE

PEAK SPORTS-BRINE NORTH LEAGUE: Stockport v Cheadle, Timperley v Hulmeians; Sheffield Steelers v Old Waconians; Ashton v Sale; Mellor v Sheffield University

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: English county finals (Royal Liverpool).

ROWING: Westminster Serpentine regatta.

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL

Barclays League
First division

Manchester Utd v Liverpool (all ticket, 2.55)
Notts County v Manchester City (3.0)

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Cork City v Bohemians; Derry v Bray Wanderers (3.30); Dundalk v Drogheda (7.0); Galway v St Patrick's Athletic (3.30)

RUGBY UNION

ADT county championship
North, first division

Cumbria v Lancashire (at Aspatria, 2.30)
Yorkshira v Warwickshire (at Morley, 2.15)

Third division

Durham v Cheshire (at West Hartlepool, 2.30)

Club matches

Edinburgh Ac v Heriot's FP
Hillhead-Jordanhill v Ayr
Stewarts' Mel FP v *Jed-Forest*

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: (3.0 unless stated): First division: Bradford v Leeds; Castleford v Widnes (3.30); Halifax v St Helens; Hull v Salford (6.15); Swinton v Hull KR; Warrington v Wakefield; Wigan v Featherstone. Second division: London Crusaders v Oldham; Ryedale-York v Carlisle (3.15); Sheffield v Workington (3.15). Third division: Batley v Barrow (3.15); Bramley v Nottingham (3.30); Doncaster v Trafford Highfield v Dewsbury (1.0), Hunslet v Keighley (3.30); Scarborough Pirates v Chorley (3.30); Whitehaven v Huddersfield (3.30).

HOCKEY

PIZZA EXPRESS NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Cannock v Neston (Fourcrosses, Cannock, 2.30), Hounslow v Old Loughtonians (Feltham School, 2.0): Lyons v Southgate (Vale Farm SC, Sudbury, 2.30); Slough v Bournville (Wexham School, 2.0); St Albans v Havant (Clarence Park, 2.0); Stourport v East Grinstead (King Charles School, Kidderminster, 2.30); Teddington v Bromley (Teddington School, Broom Road, 2.30); Trojans v Indian Gymkhana (Trojans SC, Eastleigh, 1.30), Welton v *Firebrands* (Schultz Centre, Hull, 1.0). Second division: Barford Tigers v Warrington (Holyhead SC, Handsworth, 1.0); Bournemouth v Guildford (Bournemouth SC, 1.30); Brean v Canterbury (King Alfred SC, Highbridge, 2.30); Chelmsford v Harborne (Chelmer Park, 2.30): Cheltenham v Wakefield (Bournside SC, 2.0): *Formby v Isca (Blaguegate SC*, Skelmersdale, 1.30); Gore Court v Cambridge City (Anchorians SC, Gillingham, 2.30); Richmond v Doncaster (Teddington School, 2.0); Surbiton v Reading (Reed School, Cobham, 2.0).

TOUR MATCH: Lille (Fr) v Chichester (at Paddington).

BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men: First division: Birmingham Bullets v Sunderland Saints, Cheshire Jets v Leicester Riders; Kingston v Manchester Giants; Worthing Bears v Thames Valley Tigers Second division: Brixton Topcats v Greenwich; Bury Lobos v Broxbourne. Women: Second division: Kings Lynn Phoenix v Manchester Giants; South Tyneside v Harlesden Amazons.

ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN NATIONAL LEAGUE: Premier division: *Murrayfield Racers v Nottingham Panthers*, Durham Wasps v Whitley Warriors, Billingham Bombers v Bracknell Bees, Cardiff Devils v Norwich and Peterborough Pirates. First division: Blackburn Blackhawks v Swindon Wildcats; Lee Valley Lions v Slough Jets. Romford Raiders v Trafford Metros

ENGLISH LEAGUE: First division: Haringey Racers v Streatham Redskins, Medway Bears v Solent Vikings; Oxford City Stars v Solihull Barons; Sheffield Steelers v Chelmsford Chiefs

VOLLEYBALL

ROYAL BANK NATIONAL LEAGUE: Women: First division: Wessex v Ashcombe Dorking; Hilton Leeds v Woolwich Brixton; Birmingham v Southgate. Trafford Volleyball v Dynamo London Second division: Lakeland Ladies v Speedwell, Reebok Liverpool City v Purbrook (Portsmouth); Polonia Ladies v Spark, Dynamo London II v Chelmsford Partners

TABLE TENNIS

BRITISH LEAGUE: Premier League: Bath v NFD Grove; Yugo Peterborough v Team Paniel. First division north: Vymura v Lincoln, Ipswich v Norwich; Grove v Wellingborough, West Warwickshire v Liverpool. First division south: Larkhall V Launceston, Horsham Dolphins v Cardiff, Ellenborough v Grove; Bath v Pontypool

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: English county finals (Royal Liverpool)

ROWING: Westminster Serpentine regatta

Generous to join the greats

From RICHARD EVANS
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IN PARIS

THE heart and the form book say Generous first, the rest nowhere as the best field for more than 20 years lines up for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp tomorrow. Sadly, history and the record books predict a less happy outcome.

Since the inaugural running of Europe's premier middle distance race in 1920, a total of 139 British-trained runners have crossed the Channel in search of glory. All but eight have failed.

Generous will be the tenth favourite for the race from Britain in the past 26 years, and the fifth in the last six years. Yet only two great horses, Mill Reef in 1971 and Dancing Brave in 1986, have justified being market leaders.

Even winning the Derby is not a passport to success. Mill Reef is the only English-trained colt to have completed the Epsom-Longchamp double since the war. The 11 "failures" include Sir Ivor, Nijinsky, Troy and Reference Point.

And so, as Alan Munro dons the dark green silks of Prince Fahd Salman at around 4pm tomorrow, he will know that the statistics and rich history of the Arc are not on his side. To make matters worse, the young jockey has six other classic winners to beat in his first Arc — a record number which makes tomorrow's race one to savour.

However, records exist to be broken and any reading of the form book has Generous and Suave Dancer well clear of their rivals. According to *Timeform*, Paul Cole's flaxen-maned son of Caerleon is 4lb ahead of John Hammond's French challenger.

More significantly, the Halifax sages have Generous rated at 140, a near magical figure when you consider the previous Arc winners to have attained such a mark. Since 1951 there have been only five: Ribot, Sea-Bird II, Vaguely Noble, Mill Reef and Dancing Brave.

Since spreadeagling the Derby field at Epsom in June, Generous has raced twice. He beat Suave Dancer by three lengths in the Irish Derby despite having to make much of the running and, in a fast-run King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, won easing down by seven lengths after displaying an electrifying burst of speed early in Ascot's short straight.

On that July day, no horse could have lived with Generous. Cole says he has him "spot on" again so something will have to go badly wrong to prevent the roar of English voices tomorrow teatime.

The benefits of the warm sunshine drying out Longchamp yesterday were negated by Generous receiving the worst draw in stall 14. But with arch rival Suave Dancer drawn 12 and the field small compared with past Arcs, the problem is far from insurmountable.

"Psychologically, it's a bit of a disadvantage," Cole said, "but realistically it means we will be able to keep out of trouble."

Munro, hoping to be drawn in mid-division, was far from disheartened. He has been studying Arc videos and is planning to consult Lester Piggott, three times winner of the race. "I'll be talking to Lester before I go out," Munro said. "He said he would give me some advice after we knew the draw and that could be very useful."

Tonight Generous will be stabled in France. The last time he encountered French hospitality he was upset by the noise from the nearby sales ring. With better luck this time, Generous will reach the start contented and ready to run the race of his life. The rest is then in the lap of the gods — and the hands of Munro.

The jockey lacks nothing in confidence, but even he must be wishing he had been round Longchamp a few more times. "Not knowing the track means Alan will need to have an extra length in hand," Hammond commented. "It will be a handicap, however many videos he has seen."

In contrast, Cash Asmussen, rider of Suave Dancer, must regard Longchamp as a second home. From his number 12 stall, the five-times French champion will be able to keep an eye on every move Munro makes before attempting to pounce in the straight.

Hammond is the first to recognise the ability of Generous. "He is the best Derby winner I have seen in the flesh and, try as you may, it is virtually impossible to knock holes in him. If Suave Dancer and Generous run to their best form, the race should be between them."

The English-born trainer hopes his horse's increased strength and maturity, combined with the experience of Asmussen, will enable him to reverse the Curragh placings.

The two St Leger winners, Toulon and Snurge, look sure to run well but winners of the Doncaster classic have a dismal record in the Arc.

Pistolet Bleu, next to the rails, is an ominous threat and sure to improve for his recent trial. But Generous can overcome history and write his name alongside the all-time greats.

ED BYRNE

French resistance: Hammond, right, and assistant, David Henderson, look forward to tomorrow's Arc

BIG RACE LINE-UP

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT — DRAW: LOW NUMBERS FAVOURED

4.25 CIGA PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE
(Group I: £865,000: 1m 4f) (14 runners) C4

1 (7) 215-422 QUEST FOR FAME 29 (D,BF) (K Abdulla) R Charlton (GB) 4-9-4 ... W R Swinburn 87
(b c Rainbow Quest - Aryenne) (Green, pink sash and cap, white sleeves)
2 (11) 213-111 SNURGE 42 (D) (M Arbib) P Cole (GB) 4-9-4 ... T Quinn 89
(ch c Ela-Mana-Mou - Firlandia) (Yellow, royal blue cross of Lorraine, armlets and cap)
3 (2) 1-11215 ART BLEU 21 (C) (D Wildenstein) E Lellouche 4-9-4 ... C Aubert 76
(ch c Legend Of France - Almyre) (Royal blue, light blue cap, light blue sash)
4 (5) 403111 EL SENOR 20 (D) (W Wright) W Wright (US) 7-9-4 ... M Kinane —
(ro h Valdez - Sunrise Sue) (Pink and white stripes, white cap)
5 (9) 1-12143 IN THE GROOVE 23 (D,BF) (B Cooper) D Elsworth (GB) 4-9-1 ... S Cauthen 88
(b f Night Shift - Pine Ridge) (Grey and maroon halved, sleeves reversed, grey and maroon quartered cap)
6 (3) 12-3342 MISS ALLEGED 14 (CD) (E Fares) P Bary 4-9-1 ... E Legrix 82
(b f Alleged - Miss Tusculum) (Beige and brown check, beige and brown quartered cap)
7 (10) 1-31011 TOULON 22 (CD) (K Abdulla) A Fabre 3-8-11 ... Pat Eddery 92
(b c Top Ville - Green Rock) (Green, white sleeves, pink epaulettes, pink cap)
8 (12) 112121 SUAVE DANCER 22 (CD) (H Chalhoub) J Hammond 3-8-11 ... C Asmussen 95
(b c Green Dancer - Suavite) (White, blue hollow box, white and blue hooped sleeves and cap)
9 (4) 12-3231 PIGEON VOYAGEUR 14 (D) (P de Moussac) A Fabre 3-8-11 ... F Head 79
(b c Saint Estephe - Homing Pigeon) (Black and yellow hoops, yellow cap)
10 (14) 11-4111 GENEROUS 71 (D) (F Salman) P Cole (GB) 3-8-11 ... A Munro ●99
(ch c Caerleon - Doff The Derby) (Dark green)
11 (1) 111-112 PISTOLET BLEU 21 (CD,BF) (D Wildenstein) E Lellouche 3-8-11 ... D Boeuf 82
(b c Top Ville - Pampa Bella) (Royal blue, light blue cap)
12 (13) 0-14122 JET SKI LADY 36 (D) (M Al-Maktoum) J Bolger (Ire) 3-8-8 ... C Roche 92
(ch f Vaguely Noble - Bemissed) (Royal blue, white chevron, light blue cap)
13 (8) 320236 SHAMSHIR 21 (Sheikh Mohammed) L Cumani (GB) 3-8-8 ... L Dettori 81
(ch f Kris - Free Guest) (Maroon, white sleeves, maroon cap, white star)
14 (6) 442121 MAGIC NIGHT 14 (CD) (H Yokoyama) P Demercastel 3-8-8 ... A Badel 88
(b f Le Nain Jaune - Pin Up Babe) (Blue, red stars, red sleeves, blue cap)

BETTING: 5-4 Generous, 11-4 Suave Dancer, 8-1 Snurge, 12-1 Pistolet Bleu, Toulon, 20-1 In The Groove, Magic Night, Quest For Fame, 25-1 El Senor, 33-1 Jet Ski Lady, Shamshir, 50-1 Miss Alleged, 100-1 Art Bleu, Pigeon Voyageur.
1990: SAUMAREZ 3-8-11 G Mosse (15-1) N Clement 21 ran

Form guide to the 14 contenders

QUEST FOR FAME
Sep 7, Kempton, good: (9-7) nk 2nd to Young Buster (8-6) (1m 3f, group III, £29,376, 5 ran).
Aug 20, York, good: (9-6) 2l 2nd to Terimon (9-6) (1m 2f 110yd, group I, £144,407, 6 ran).
Jun 6, Epsom, good: see IN THE GROOVE.

SNURGE
Aug 25, Deauville, good to firm: (9-8) beat Cmagora (8-4) nk with PIGEON VOYAGEUR (8-7) ½l 3rd (1m 4f 110yd, group II, £50,917, 10 ran).
Jun 16, San Siro, good: (9-6) beat Erdelistan (9-6) ¾l (1m 4f, group I, £155,374, 9 ran).
May 18, Newbury, good to soft: (9-8) beat Sardegna (8-6) 1½l (1m 5f 61yd, listed, £10,800, 8 ran).

ART BLEU
Sep 15, Longchamp, good to firm: (9-2) 4l 5th to Splash Of Colour (9-2) (1m 4f, group III, £20,367, 7 ran).
Jul 10, Longchamp, good: (8-7) beat Avec Les Bleus (8-9) nk (1m 2f 110yd, group III, £20,367, 8 ran).
Jun 14, Maisons-Laffitte, good: (8-9) 1½l 2nd to Avec Les Bleus (8-9) (1m 2f, listed, £12,220, 6 ran).

EL SENOR
Sep 16, Belmont Park, firm: (8-11) beat Husyan (7-13) nk (1m 2f, h'cap, £14,611, 4 ran).
Aug 22, Saratoga, soft: (8-9) beat Rigamajig (7-12) hd (1m 5f, grade III h'cap, £37,445, 8 ran).
Aug 7, Saratoga, firm: (8-10) beat Tees Prospect (8-0) ¾l (1m 3f, h'cap, £14,764, 9 ran).

IN THE GROOVE
Sep 13, Goodwood, good to firm: (9-4) ¾l 3rd to Filia Ardross (8-11) (1m 2f, group III, £24,543, 6 ran).
Jul 6, Sandown, good: (9-4) 7½l 4th to Environment Friend (8-10) (1m 2f, group I, £147,825, 7 ran).
Jun 6, Epsom, good: (8-11) beat Terimon (9-0) ½l with QUEST FOR FAME (9-0) 5¼l 4th (1m 4f, group I, £82,542, 7 ran).

MISS ALLEGED
Sep 22, Longchamp, good to soft: (8-11) nk 2nd to Passing Sale (9-0) (1m 2f, group III, £20,367, 5 ran).
Jun 30, Saint-Cloud, good: (9-5) 4¾l 4th to Epervier Bleu (9-8) (1m 4f, group I, £152,749, 12 ran).
Jun 8, Evry, soft: (8-10) 3½l 3rd to Wajd (8-8) (1m 4f, group II, £35,642, 7 ran).

TOULON
Sep 14, Doncaster, good to firm: (9-0) beat Saddlers' Hall (9-0) 1½l (1m 6f 132yd, group I, £175,781, 10 ran).
Jul 21, Maisons-Laffitte, good: (8-5) beat Topanoora (9-0) 2l (1m 4f 110yd, group II, £40,733, 9 ran).
Jun 5, Epsom, good to firm: see GENEROUS.

SUAVE DANCER
Sep 14, Leopardstown, good to yielding: (8-11) beat Environment Friend (8-11) 4l (1m 2f, group I, £92,300, 7 ran).
Jun 30, The Curragh, yielding: see GENEROUS.
Jun 2, Chantilly, good to firm: (9-2) beat Subotica (9-2) 4l (1m 4f, group I, £254,582, 7 ran).

PIGEON VOYAGEUR
Sep 22, San Siro, good: (9-2) beat Retinospora (9-2) 4½l (1m 4f, group I, £102,687, 11 ran).
Aug 25, Deauville, good to firm: see SNURGE.
Aug 8, Deauville, good to soft: (8-7) 4l 2nd to Aelan Hapi (9-5) (1m 4f 110yd, listed, £12,220, 12 ran).
Apr 7, Longchamp, good to soft: see PISTOLET BLEU.

GENEROUS
Jul 27, Ascot, good: (8-9) beat Sanglamore (9-7) 7l (1m 4f, group I, £276,480, 9 ran).
Jun 30, The Curragh, yielding: (9-0) beat SUAVE DANCER (9-0) 3l (1m 4f, group I, £366,500, 6 ran).
Jun 5, Epsom, good to firm: (9-0) beat Marju (9-0) 5l with TOULON (9-0) 19l 9th (1m 4f, group I, £355,000, 13 ran).

PISTOLET BLEU
Sep 15, Longchamp, good to firm: (9-2) nk 2nd to Subotica (9-2) (1m 4f, group II, £40,733, 8 ran).
May 5, Longchamp, soft: (9-2) beat Subotica (9-2) 1½l (1m 4f, group II, £37,500, 6 ran).
Apr 7, Longchamp, good to soft: (9-2) beat Subotica (9-2) ¾l with PIGEON VOYAGEUR (9-2) 3l 3rd (1m 3f, group II, £29,538, 9 ran).

JET SKI LADY
Aug 21, York, good: (8-11) sh hd 2nd to Magnificent Star (8-11) with SHAMSHIR (8-11) 5l 3rd (1m 4f, group I, £75,640, 7 ran).
Jul 13, The Curragh, good: (9-0) ½l 2nd to Possessive Dancer (9-0) (1m 4f, group I, £121,200, 10 ran).
Jun 8, Epsom, good: (9-0) beat SHAMSHIR (9-0) 10l (1m 4f, group I, £147,500, 9 ran).

SHAMSHIR
Sep 15, Longchamp, good to firm: SEE MAGIC NIGHT.
Aug 21, York, good: see JET SKI LADY.
Aug 3, Goodwood, good to firm: (8-6) 7l 2nd to Ruby Tiger (9-4) (1m 2f, group II, £50,335, 6 ran).
Jun 8, Epsom, good: see JET SKI LADY.

MAGIC NIGHT
Sep 15, Longchamp, good to firm: (9-2) beat Pink Turtle (9-2) 1½l with SHAMSHIR (9-2) 1¾l 6th (1m 4f, group I, £101,833, 14 ran).
Sep 1, Longchamp, firm: (9-2) nose 2nd to Caerlina (9-2) (1m 2f, group III, £20,367, 7 ran).
Jun 23, Longchamp, soft: (8-9) beat La Monalisa (8-12) 2l (1m 4f, group II, £30,550, 9 ran).

Selection: GENEROUS

Magic Ring to shine

From OUR FRENCH RACING CORRESPONDENT, PARIS

PAUL Cole's Magic Ring can provide some pre-Arc confidence for Generous by becoming the first two-year-old winner of tomorrow's Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp since 1978.

Without a speedster like last year's winner Dayjur in the 15-runner line-up, Magic Ring's exceptional pace can strike a blow for the younger generation.

French-trained runners have a dismal record in their own top sprint, but Divine Danse may be better value for the forecast than the likely favourite Sheikh Albadou, runner-up to Polar Falcon in the Ladbroke Sprint Cup at Haydock.

Cole also a major chance of capturing the Prix Marcel Boussac with Culture Vulture, who lines up for her second lucrative prize in the space of eight days.

Beaten three-quarters of a length by Midnight Air in Ascot's Brent Walker Fillies' Mile, Culture Vulture was awarded the prize after taking a severe bump early in the straight. She looks a tough filly and is chosen ahead of Kenbu and Luca Cumani's Red Slippers, supplemented on the strength of a stylish success at Ascot eight days ago.

The Grand Criterium today looks at the mercy of France's brilliant two-year-old Arazi, who should sweep away his opposition although David Elsworth is confident his Seattle Rhyme will run well.

France should also capture the Prix Dollar, despite the presence of top English middle-distance performers Stagecraft and Zoman. The local hope is Muroto, a progressive son of Busted, who gave notice that he had a big future when strolling home at Deauville in August.

Tertian enters classic picture

By MICHAEL SEELY

TERTIAN was top quoted at 20-1 to repeat previous victories by Known Fact and Dancing Brave in the 2,000 Guineas for Khaled Abdulla after scrambling home to a hard-fought win in the Somerville Tattersall Stakes at Newmarket yesterday.

Pat Eddery, due to start an eight-day sentence for careless riding on Monday, for a time looked to be in trouble when the 7-4 favourite was trapped on the rails with two furlongs still to run. But eventually, finding a passage through, the reigning champion jockey forced Tertian home to beat Mojave by a neck. Wilde Rufo finished two lengths away third.

Trained by Andre Fabre at Chantilly, yesterday's winner hails from the same stable as Thursday's Middle Park Stakes runner-up Lion Cavern. However, the narrowness of the winning margin and the apparent lack of distinction of the opposition make it rather surprising that the winner should now stand at such a short price for the Guineas.

But the strength of support in the market showed that Tertian had travelled from France with plenty of confidence behind his chances. "We brought him over here because we wanted to give him experience on a straight course," said Grant Pritchard-Gordon, Abdulla's racing manager.

"The alternative was to go for a race at Saint-Cloud, but he is a big long-striding horse and wouldn't have liked the bend. He is certainly a possible Guineas runner. He may not stay further than a mile because he pulls so hard."

Prince Fahd Salman, the owner of Generous, was all smiles as he received the winner's trophy on behalf of his uncle with Magic Ring and Zoman to represent him in Paris as well as the Arc favourite.

He said: "I only got in from Saudi Arabia today, so I haven't seen Generous in any of his work but it is all very exciting and we are hoping for the best."

Robert Sangster, the owner of yesterday's runner-up Mojave, appeared far from impressed by the style of Tertian's victory. "I know he came over with a big reputation but the form seems to be about 10lb below the top. I still think that Rodrigo De Triano is good value at 10-1 for the Guineas."

Eddery continues to ride like a man inspired. After winning the opening Boscawen Selling Stakes on Mister Bandit for Neville Callaghan, the champion elect went on to complete a 184-1 treble by winning the Main Reef Stakes on Rudimentary for Henry Cecil and the three-year-old's owner-breeder, Lord Howard de Walden.

Cruachan was an uneasy 2-1 favourite to make a comeback from a four-month absence after chipping a bone in his off-fore knee when strongly fancied for the Derby. He finished two lengths away second, after having been given by no means a hard race by Ray Cochrane when it was clear that the winner had the issue well in hand.

"That was perfectly satisfactory," said his trainer Guy Harwood. "He's only been back in work for about five weeks and just got tired. All being well, he's still on target for the Champion Stakes."

Eddery: Tertian headed his Newmarket treble

LONGCHAMP TOMORROW C4

2.35 CIGA PRIX DU ROND-POINT (Group II: £40,733: 1m) (10 runners)
1 6-21331 GOOFALIK (D Thompson) J Hammond 4-9-4 ... C Asmussen 9
2 233614 STAR OF GDANSK (H de Kwiatkowski) J Bolger (Ire) 3-9-2 ... C Roche 4
3 124-221 MASTERCLASS (K Abdulla) A Fabre 3-9-0 ... Pat Eddery 1
4 152134 ETERNITY'S BREATH (J-L Lagardère) F Boutin 5-9-0 ... G Mosse 10
5 11315-1 BOOMING (Ecurie du Sphinx) R Collet 3-8-11 ... O Boeuf 8
6 328123 BISTRO GARDEN (R Gibson) P Bary 3-8-11 ... E Legrix 7
7 310421 MR SWING KING (S Hansen) G Jensen (Den) 3-8-11 ... L Piggott 5
8 256365 EXIT TO NOWHERE (S Niarchos) F Boutin 3-8-11 ... F Head 6
9 413212 FLASHFOOT (J Smith) I Balding (GB) 3-8-11 ... M Kinane 8
10 101402 LADY ISIS (J Mosé) A Fabre 3-8-8 ... T Jarnet 2

2-1 Masterclass, 3-1 Bistro Garden, 4-1 Goofalik, 6-1 Star Of Gdansk, 7-1 Booming, 8-1 Flashfoot, 10-1 Lady Isis, 12-1 Eternity's Breath, 16-1 others.

3.10 PRIX MARCEL BOUSSAC
(Group I: 2-Y-O fillies: £81,466: 1m) (14 runners)
1 12 HATOOF (M Al-Maktoum) Mme C Head 8-11 ... Pat Eddery 3
2 811361 GUISLAINE (J-L Bouchard) P Bary 8-11 ... E Legrix 7
3 21 PERFECT CIRCLE (Hanson Leigh Racing) M Stoute (GB) 8-11 W R Swinburn 14
4 1153 LADY NORMANDY (Mme Y Houyvet) A Fabre 8-11 ... T Jarnet 6
5 31 MARATHA (H de Kwiatkowski) Mme C Head 8-11 ... G Guignard 4
6 136 ALZARINA (E Puerari) M Zilber 8-11 ... A Lequeux 11
7 21 RED SLIPPERS (Sheikh Mohammed) L Cumani (GB) 8-11 ... L Dettori 13
8 112 WAITOWIN (Stall Rosita) B Schutz (Ger) 8-11 ... L Piggott 8
9 414 LA PIAF (D Thompson) J Hammond 8-11 ... C Asmussen 8
10 622222 WIZZY (D Thompson) J Rossi 8-11 ... E Saint-Martin 1
11 52 URBAN SKY (D Tauf) J Lesbordes 8-11 ... M Boutin 2
12 2112 KENBU (T Wada) F Boutin 8-11 ... F Head 8
13 11 VERVEINE (D Wildenstein) E Lellouche 8-11 ... D Boeuf 12
14 1211 CULTURE VULTURE (C Wright) P Cole (GB) 8-11 ... T Quinn 18

6-4 Kenbu, 4-1 Culture Vulture, 9-2 Red Slippers, 11-2 Verveine, 7-1 Hatoof, 10-1 Guislaine, 12-1 Perfect Circle, 16-1 La Piaf and Wizzy (coupled), 20-1 others.

3.45 CIGA PRIX DE L'ABBAYE DE LONGCHAMP
(Group I: £71,283: 5f) (15 runners)
1 115-1 KEEN HUNTER (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden (GB) 4-9-11 ... S Cauthen 10
2 213641 ARCHWAY (A Heffernan) M V O'Brien (Ire) 3-9-11 ... W R Swinburn 8
3 121412 SHEIKH ALBADOU (D) (H Salem) A Scott 3-9-11 ... B Raymond 12
4 62-1231 SPECIAL POWER (D) (Stall Klostermauberg) L D'Auria (Ger) 4-9-11 C Asmussen 4
5 231-532 DANZANTE (K Abdulla) A Fabre 3-9-8 ... Pat Eddery 2
6 21-0816 KATIES FIRST (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Hammond 4-9-8 ... D Boeuf 8
7 331121 FLOWING (D) (P Bean) D Weld (Ire) 3-9-8 ... M Kinane 7
8 241141 DIVINE DANSE (CD) (Ecurie Aland) Mme C Head 3-9-8 ... F Head 1
9 563463 NOBLE KARA (J Fetouh) A Spanu 4-9-8 ... T Jarnet 11
10 536030 RIVERS RHAPSODY (D) (R Mead) G Balding (GB) 4-9-8 ... J Williams 15
11 56-1000 PONT AVEN (CD) (R Strauss) R Collet 4-9-8 ... E Legrix 6
12 302600 LURING (D Volkert) J Fellows 4-9-8 ... G Mosse 5
13 112121 PARIS HOUSE (D) (P Chandler) J Berry (GB) 2-8-11 ... J Carroll 14
14 13413 BRADAWN BREEVER (M Murray) K Prendergast (Ire) 2-8-8 ... R Griffiths 3
15 1101 MAGIC RING (F Salman) P Cole 2-8-6 ... A Munro 13

2-1 Sheikh Albadou, 7-2 Divine Danse, 4-1 Keen Hunter and Katies First (coupled), 7-1 Danzante, 10-1 Magic Ring, 12-1 Paris House, 16-1 others.

TODAY C4

2.25 CIGA PRIX DE ROYALLIEU (Group II: fillies and mares: £30,550: 1m 4f 110yd) (10 runners)
0103 Wajd A Fabre 4-9-6 (S Cauthen); 6353 Echoes D Sepulchre 4-9-3 (F Head); -444 Savoureuse Lady A Fabre 4-9-0 (T Jarnet); -106 Brooklyn's Dance Mme C Head 3-8-11 (G Guignard); 4614 Villandry A Fabre 3-8-11 (D Boeuf); 2531 Darara A de Royer-Dupre 3-8-8 (C Asmussen); 015 Zalla A de Royer-Dupre 3-8-8 (D Bonilla); 2031 Secret Virginia A Spanu 3-8-8 (O Peslier); 2434 Sagamora A Spanu 3-8-8 (G Mosse); 0400 Sagace's Choice G Mikhalides 3-8-8 (Pat Eddery).
5-2 Wajd, 4 Darara and Zalla (coupled), 5-1 Villandry, 6-1 Brooklyn's Dance, 7-1 Savoureuse Lady, 8-1 Echoes, 14-1 others.

2.55 CIGA PRIX DU CADRAN (Group I: £50,916: 2m 4f) (7 runners)
0413 Proud Panther Mme M Bollack-Badel 5-9-2 (A Badel); 3356 Teamster M Stoute (GB) 5-9-2 (Pat Eddery); 2302 Our Account E Lellouche 7-9-2 (D Boeuf); 6302 Warfield J Pease 4-9-2 (C Asmussen); 1120 Eburimo B Schutz (Ger) 4-9-2 (M Rimmer); 6021 Tosca Stella H Blume 5-8-13 (O Schick); 3121 Victoire Bleue A Fabre 4-8-13 (T Jarnet).
4-5 Victoire Bleue, 7-2 Teamster, 9-2 Our Account, 10-1 Warfield, 12-1 others.

3.30 CIGA GRAND CRITERIUM (Group I: 2-Y-O: £122,200: 1m) (6 runners)
120 Rainbow Corner A Fabre 8-11 (Pat Eddery); 214 Code Breaker P Bary 8-11 (E Legrix); 1111 Arazi F Boutin 8-11 (G Mosse); 111 St Jovite J Bolger (Ire) 8-11 C Roche; 121 Seattle Rhyme (H Senn) D Elsworth (GB) 8-11 (C Asmussen); 123 Silver Kite A Fabre 8-11 (T Jarnet).
1-2 Arazi, 4-1 Rainbow Corner, 8-1 Seattle Rhyme, 10-1 St Jovite, 14-1 others.

4.05 CIGA PRIX DOLLAR (Group II: £30,550: 1m 1f 165yd) (8 runners)
1233 Stagecraft M Stoute (GB) 4-9-4 (S Cauthen); 3218 Zoman P Cole (GB) 4-9-4 (A Munro); 0131 Muroto F Boutin 4-9-2 (F Head); 1345 Cudas F Boutin 3-8-2 (G Mosse); 0803 Dolpour O Elsworth (GB) 5-9-0 (Pat Eddery). 2534 Funny Baby Mme M Bollack-Badel 3-8-9 (A Badel); 3203 Approach The Bench J Mulhern (Ire) 3-8-9 (C Asmussen); 1216 Wiorno (D Wildenstein) A Fabre 3-8-9 (T Jarnet).
5-2 Muroto, 3-1 Stagecraft, 4-1 Zoman, 5-1 Cudas, 6-1 Wiorno, 14-1 others.

GOODWOOD

MANDARIN
2.15 Reine De Thebes. 2.45 Fair Flyer. 3.20 Supreme Boy. 3.55 Kasayid. 4.30 Violence. 5.00 Wolfhound.

THUNDERER
2.15 I Perceive. 2.45 Midsummer Dream. 3.20 South Sea. 3.55 Strike Fire. 4.30 Poterium. 5.00 Wolfhound.

GOING: GOOD — SIS
DRAW: 5F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.15 GEORGE TODD HANDICAP
(Apprentices: £2,742: 1m 2f) (22 runners)
1 6/00/ SHARP'N SHINE 588J (F) C Elsey 5-9-12 J Hunter (3) 16
2 1400 KEEP YOUR WORD 17 (G) G Balding 5-9-12 Stone Bovingdon (7) 22
3 1013 REINE DE THEBES 77 (F,S) M Tompkins 4-9-11 S Mulvey (7) 20
4 0033 KORACLE BAY 11 (F) C Wall 4-9-11 ... T Wilson (5) 15
5 1016 HILLS OF HOY 16 (D,F) K Bailey 5-9-7 ... C Munday (5) 14
6 0-00 I PERCEIVE 14 F Lee 4-9-7 ... G Hind 2
7 2005 ROLFESON 8 (F,G) B Morgan 7-9-4 ... B Maloney 17
8 0200 CARPET SLIPPERS 17 (D,F,G) J Bethell 5-9-0 O Harrison (3) 8
9 0300 LYDIA MARIA 54 P Harris 3-8-10 ... Ron Hills 21
10 500 DREAMTIME QUEST 21 R Hannon 3-8-7 R Perham (5) 9
11 4004 MY ALIBI 25 (B,F) W Carter 3-8-7 ... K Rutter (3) 12
12 0420 HERE HE COMES 12 (CD,G) W Carter 5-8-3 S Drowne (5) 16
13 0000 ANTAGONIST 56 (V) S Millman 4-8-3 ... A Tucker 5
14 0100 GIBBOT 33 (D,F,S) P Howling 6-8-3 ... C Avery (5) 19
15 4540 GLENSCAR 40 (F) J Spearing 5-8-2 ... NON-RUNNER T
16 0/0- REEDLING 340J P Butler 6-8-1 ... B Thomas (5) 18
17 3530 MUSICAL NOTE 7 (D,F) M Blanshard 4-7-13 F Norton 13
18 0002 RABBIT'S FOOT 15 (B) Lady Herries 3-7-13 ... D Biggs 8
19 2004 BROUGHTON BLUES 12 (B) W Musson 3-7-12 P Turner (5) 1
20 3530 CORNHILL MELODY 45 J Spearing 3-7-12 ... A Garth (5) 4
21 006- INVOCATION 327 A Moore 4-7-12 ... R Moogan (10) 11
22 2500 FORGE BAY 54 H Collingridge 4-7-10 ... C Hawksley (5) 8

9-2 Reine de Thebes, 5-1 Hills of Hoy, 7-1 I Perceive, 8-1 Rabbit's Foot, Musical Note, Here He Comes, 8-1 Keep Your Word, 12-1 others.

2.45 DRAWING ROOM MAIDEN CLAIMING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,931: 6f) (23)
1 650 PARISIENNE KING 10 F Lee 8-6 ... R Lappin 1
2 246F RED SOMBRERO 30 L Cottrell 8-7 ... J Williams 2
3 65 RISK ZONE 137 R Hannon 8-7 ... R Perham (5) 4
4 260 BETALONGABILL 25 M Madgwick 8-5 ... G Baxter 8
5 340 MAN OF THE SEASON 17 (B) Mrs N Macauley 8-6 J Marshall (7) 16
6 5 MIDSUMMER DREAM 22 I Balding 8-5 ... W Newnes 10
7 040 MOGWAI 25 R Johnson Houghton 8-5 ... B Whitworth 28
8 8 JAMAIS BLEU 121 T Naughton 8-4 ... G Hind 23
9 000 SEA CROWN 16 M Blanshard 8-4 ... C Rutter 18
10 0020 GAVELKIND 44 (B) M Bell 8-3 ... G Duffield 5
11 040 GOOGLY 30 W Wightman 8-2 ... A Tucker (5) 22
12 0060 MASTER OF THE HUNT 23 (B) R Bennett 8-2 J Curant 3
13 0400 PETER WHIMSEY 63 (B) M McCormack 8-2 J Fortune 11
14 000 DARAVI 40 (B) J Payne 8-1 ... R Hills 21
15 0600 FAIR FLYER 8 G Lewis 8-0 ... F Norton (5) 6
16 00U0 ROCK SONG 49 (B) P Cole 8-0 ... T Quinn 13
17 06 PACE E SALUTE 16 B Dow 7-13 ... D Biggs (5) 77
18 200 RED VERONA 56 E Wheeler 7-12 ... B Thomas (7) 18
19 006 PEGGY MAINWARING 48 R Holder 7-11 ... N Adams 12
20 06 WE'RE ALL GAME 14 B Morgan 7-10 ... B Maloney (5) 7
21 040 CUE DIRECTORS 56 W Pearce 7-9 ... G Bardwell 14
22 5000 MISSAL 16 (B) Pat Mitchell 7-9 ... C Avery (7) 8
23 05 PLAN AHEAD 10 G Lewis 7-9 ... D Harrison (7) 10

8-1 Midsummer Dream, 8-1 Risk Zone, 8-1 Mogwai, Gavelkind, 10-1 Fair Flyer, 12-1 Rock Song, Man of The Season, 14-1 others.

3.20 SOUTH EAST ENGLAND TOURIST BOARD MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES
(2-Y-O: £6,675: 7f) (18)
1 02 BURNING POINT 32 M Prescott 9-7 ... G Duffield 11
2 25 PHILIDOR 18 J Eustace 9-7 ... T Quinn 14
3 8 SOUTH SEA 11 L Cumani 8-4 ... J Fortune 17
4 4 MING BLUE 63 P Makin 9-2 ... T Sprake 2
5 8 HAVE A NIGHTCAP 21 M Jarvis 8-1 ... M Tebbutt 1
6 OOZLEM C Horgan 8-12 ... T Rogers 12
7 00 SUPREME BOY 14 P Harris 8-12 ... C Rutter 16
8 00 TRIPLE TROUBLE 25 H Collingridge 8-12 ... V Smith 7
9 53 TIFFANY'S CASE 21 (BF) C Horgan 8-10 . F Norton (5) 3
10 3 ZOOM LENSMELENDEZ J Dunlop 8-10 ... A McGlone 4
11 0432 CHINAMAN 30 (B) W Wightman 8-9 ... W Newnes 8
12 0500 GREAT HALL 4 W Wightman 8-9 ... A Tucker (5) 18
13 ROGER RABBIT R Boss 8-9 ... R Perham (5) 10
14 4 TYRONE FLYER 21 T Naughton 8-9 ... R Hills 16
15 8 FARYAL 33 J Spearing 8-4 ... G Bardwell 8
16 8 LAMORE RITORNA 21 I Balding 8-4 ... B Whitworth 8
17 56 MERE CHANTS 91 (BF) D Elsworth 8-4 ... J Williams 18
18 0644 MISSY-S 7 (G,S) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-4 D Harrison (7) 8

9-4 Zoom Lens, 4-1 Lamore Ritorna, 11-2 South Sea, 7-1 Tyrone Flyer, 9-1 Ming Blue, 12-1 Burning Point, Philidor, 14-1 others.

3.55 ISLE OF WIGHT STAKES
(£3,492: 2m) (7)
1 0551 DUTYFUL 18 (D,F) M Haynes 5-9-0 ... O Biggs (5) 4
2 /02/ CALAPAEZ 207J Miss B Sanders 7-8-13 ... W Newnes 3
3 33-3 KASAYID 17 (F) H Thomson Jones 4-8-13 ... R Hills 5
4 0006 BESITO 88 (D,F,S) R Simpson 4-8-8 ... A Tucker (5) 1
5 0332 BLASKET HERO 12 R Akehurst 3-8-2 ... J Fortune 2
6 0450 MADAGANS GREY 46 (F,G) R Boss 3-8-2 ... G Duffield 6
7 3343 STRIKE FIRE 32 (F,G) P Cole 3-8-2 ... T Quinn 7

6-4 Strike Fire, 13-8 Kasayid, 13-2 Blasket Hero, 12-1 Madagans Grey, 14-1 Dutyful, Calapaez, 18-1 Besito.

4.30 GRATWICKE HANDICAP
(3-Y-O: £4,370: 1m) (16)
1 5510 DESERT SPORT 34 (G) M Stoute 9-7 ... C Dwyer 8
2 413 VIOLENCE 64 (BF,D,G) L Cumani 9-5 ... A McGlone 15
3 0000 POTERIUM 14 (CD,G) J Gosden 9-2 ... G Hind 11
4 515 SANTI SANA 22 (C,G) Lady Herries 9-2 ... F Norton (5) 2
5 5004 CORN FUTURES 6 (S) R Johnson Houghton 8-1 B Whitworth 18
6 6660 NORTHERN CONQUEROR 17 (C,F,G) T Naughton 9-0 A Tucker (5) 4
7 3300 SIR GEORGE CHUFFY 18 F Lee 8-10 ... R Lappin 14
8 6240 SOMETHING QUICK 22 (D,S) R Hannon 8-8 S Raymont 7
9 2015 MCA BELOW THE LINE 14 (B,F) W Pearce 8-8 M Tebbutt 8
10 255 MR CONFUSION 16 M Prescott 8-5 ... C Nutter 18
11 3410 GRAVETTE 16T (D,F,G) H Cecil 8-4 ... S Davies (7) 16
12 1400 SASSY LASSY 28 (G) Lord Huntingdon 8-4 D Harrison (7) 1
13 4065 JOLI'S GREAT 28 M Ryan 8-4 ... O Biggs (5) 8
14 0050 MISS BROUGHTON 14 (G) W Musson 8-1 .. S Dawson 6
15 3006 CISOURE 19 (CD,F,G) M Usher 7-12 ... N Adams 12
16 0-05 PRECIOUS CAROLINE 4 P Cundell 7-7 ... E Johnson 3

7-2 Mr Confusion, 4-1 Violence, 7-1 Santi Sana, 8-1 Desert Sport, 10-1 Poterium, Gravette, 12-1 Something Quick, 14-1 others.

5.00 EBF HAT HILL MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £3,210: 6f) (11)
1 4 BEN BLUFF 81 L Cottrell 9-0 ... T Rogers 5
2 3322 FIGHTING TEMERAIRE 9 P Cole 9-0 ... T Quinn 3
3 FORMAL INVITATION G Lewis 9-0 ... F Norton (5) 11
4 SIR OLIVER J Sutcliffe 9-0 ... S Whitworth 7
5 THINKING TWICE P Harris 9-0 ... W Newnes 10
6 WOLFHOUND J Gosden 9-0 ... G Hind 0
7 000 LAST ORDERS 33 R Hannon 8-9 ... R Hills 2
8 LAUGHING FALCON J Dunlop 8-6 ... A McGlone 8
9 0 MABONNE 11 J Dunlop 8-9 ... G Duffield 4
10 8 NEITHER NOR 19 R Holder 8-9 ... J Williams 8
11 RING CYCLE H Candy 8-9 ... C Rutter 1

8-13 Wolfhound, 9-4 Fighting Temeraire, 12-1 Neither Nor, 14-1 Ring Cycle, 16-1 Mabonne, 20-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS
TRAINERS: H Cecil, 30 winners from 72 runners, 41.7%; H Collingridge, 3 from 9, 33.3%; L Cumani, 22 from 101, 21.8%; M Stoute, 18 from 86, 20.9%; J Gosden, 7 from 34, 20.6%; M Prescott, 4 from 22, 18.2%.
JOCKEYS: G Hind, 3 winners from 16 rides, 18.8%; D Biggs, 3 from 22, 13.6%; T Sprake, 3 from 22, 13.6%; G Duffield, 6 from 47, 12.8%; T Quinn, 13 from 122, 10.7%. Only qualifiers.
(Not including yesterday's results)

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S THREE MEETINGS

Newmarket
Going: good to firm

1.30 (1m) 1, MISTER BANDIT (Pat Eddery, 14-1); 2, First Right (L Dettori, 20-1); 3, Everso Irish (R Hills, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 13-8 Fav Great Oration, 13-2 Hob Green, 10 Gencault, Grog, Murray Walker, Spy In The Sky, 12 Syke Lane, 16 Benefact, Taurien Royale (4th), 20 Alkmac Noma, Bielefeld, Liability Order (6th), Miss Pin Up, 25 Full Sight, Woodyard, Honey Vision (5th), 33 Bay Cheetah, Catel Ring, Smart Mover. 22 ran. 1l, 3l, ¾l, 1l, ¾l. M Callaghan at Newmarket. Tote: £9.90; £4.10, £4.10, £4.60. DF: £32.90. CSF: £294.18. 1min 39.15sec.

2.00 (6f) 1, STACK ROCK (K Fallon, 13-2 jt-fav); 2, Triviality (D Holland, 33-1); 3, Snowgirl (J Carroll, 16-1); 4, Sacque (N Day, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Jt-Fav Golden Cap, 10 Sharpthorne, Maggie Siddons, 12 Caroles Express, Macs Maharanee (5th), 14 Kalzakeena, Lallapaloosa, 16 Panchos Pearl, She's Smart, Real Stunner, Desert Ditty, 20 Teanarco, 25 Marasoth, Glenstal Princess (6th), 33 Glenfield Greta, Countess of Poland, Gabibti. 21 ran. Sh hd, ¾l, 2l, 1½l, ½l. E Alston at Preston. Tote: £9.80; £2.70, £5.40, £3.80, £5.10. DF: £111.70. CSF: £189.88. Tricast: £2968.94. 1min 11.46 sec.

2.35 (1m 4f) 1, LITERARY SPARK (J Reid, 11-1); 2, Masai Mara (Dean McKeown, 8-1); 3, Sarawat (A Cruz, 3-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Moulajah (4th), 11-2 Grey Power, 12 Ryewater Dream (5th), 16 Drumhead, Light-Hearted Lady, 20 Frescobaldo, Jokers Patch (6th), 33 Sean's Scholar, 50 Cambrea Cuddy, Broughton's Gold. 13 ran. NR: Sard. Hd, 1l, 5l, 2l, 2l. W Jarvis at Newmarket. Tote: £12.50; £3.10, £3.00, £1.60. DF: £48.20. CSF: £88.59. 2min 31.64sec.

3.10 (7f) 1, TERTIAN (Pat Eddery, 7-4 fav); 2, Mojave (R Cochrane, 7-1); 3, Wilde Rufo (T Quinn, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Lead The Dance (4th), 6 Baylon, Free Flyer (5th), 10 Alsaarm (6th), 50 Damsiers Pet. 8 ran. Nk, 2½l, nk, ¾l, hd. A Fabre in France. Tote: £2.20; £1.10, £2.40, £4.60. DF: £7.70. CSF: £12.95. 1min 25.76sec.

3.40 (1m) 1, RUDIMENTARY (Pat Eddery, 7-2); 2, Cruachan (R Cochrane, 2-1 fav); 3, Lifewatch Vision (T Quinn, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Heart of Darkness (6th), 5 Claret (5th), 14 Power Take Off (4th), 20 Starlight Flyer, 25 Croupier, 50 Amany. 9 ran. 2l, 1¾l, ½l, ½l, 3l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £5.90; £1.70, £1.20, £2.40. DF: £5.50. CSF: £10.43. 1min 38.55sec.

4.10 (7f) 1, PERFOLIA (D Holland, 11-4 fav; Thunderer's nap); 2, Superoo (Pat Eddery, 100-30); 3, Punch N'Run (B Rouse, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 8 Well Furnished, 11 Vilany, 12 Mac's Fighter, 14 Resolute Bay (5th), Mel's Rose (4th), 16 Gentle Hero (6th), 20 So Rhythmical, 33 Ikeagame, Vax Lady. 12 ran. 4l, 1½l, ¾l, hd, sh hd. J Gosden at Newmarket. Tote: £3.50; £1.50, £1.80, £3.00. DF: £4.10. CSF: £11.15. Tricast: £80.50. Trio: £28.60. 1min 23.73sec. After stewards' enquiry, result stood.

Jackpot: Not won. (Pool of £1,216.30 carried forward to Newmarket today). Placepot: £509.50.

Goodwood
Going: good

2.15 (1m 2f) 1, EMPEROR ALEXANDER (A Munro, 16-1); 2, Salwan (W R Swinburn, 6-1); 3, Big Beat (J Williams, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 3 jt-fav Haredan (6th), High Habit, 9-2 Namaste (4th), 15-2 Northern Conqueror, 33 Lady Poly (5th). 8 ran. Sh hd, 4l, 8l, 7l, 3l. Lord Huntingdon at West Ilsley. Tote: £15.10; £1.90, £1.70, £1.70. DF: £20.50. CSF: £104.09. 2min 12.72sec.

2.45 (1m) 1, BLOCKADE (M Hills, 12-1); 2, Holiday Island (J Quinn, 20-1); 3, West Vermont (S Cauthen, 4-1 fav); 4, Changing Times (A Munro, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 8 The Green Boys, 8 Silken Words, 10 Missile Magic, 11 Ameer Dalham, 12 Le Baron Perche, 14 Salt Whistle, Eriemo, 16 Hoon King (5th), Daja, Silk Tapestry, Anar, 25 Ambitious Venture (6th), 33 Periorata, Copy Lane, 50 Vanborough Lad. 19 ran. 1l, 1l, nk, nk, nk. M Bell at Newmarket. Tote: £13.80; £2.80, £7.90, £1.60, £4.60. DF: £301.70. CSF: £219.22. Tricast: £1,045.76. 1min 43.19sec.

3.15 (7f) 1, OSARIO (M Roberts, 20-1); 2, Susurration (W Ryan, 18-1); 3, Norton Challenger (M Birch, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 11-8 fav Snaadee (4th), 5 Jimmy Barnie, 8 Himiko, 9 Savahra Sound, 10 Ram (5th), 12 Additional Risk, 33 Amigo Menor, Swordsmith, 40 Magnun, Soleil Dancer (6th). 13 ran. NR: Sheer Precocity. Nk, sh hd, 2l, nk. 1l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £23.30; £5.00, £5.90, £3.50. DF: £189.00. CSF: £289.49. 1min 28.25sec.

3.50 (1m 4f) 1, BOOKCASE (S Cauthen, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Grove Serendipity (G Duffield, 12-1); 3, James Is Special (J Quinn, 3-1 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 7 Lambada Style, 8 Marked Card (6th), 9 Northern Flyer (5th), 12 Ushek, 14 Enchanting Habit, 16 Statia, Bee Beat (4th), 20 All Present, 33 Harreek, 50 Access Sun. 13 ran. Nk, 3½l, 2l, 4l, ½l. D Elsworth at Whitsbury. Tote: £3.10; £1.80, £6.60, £1.50. DF: £53.40. Trio: £45.30. CSF: £38.04. Tricast: £111.65. 2min 42.41sec.

4.25 (1m 2f) 1, PERPENDICULAR (W Ryan, 5-2); 2, Opera House (S Cauthen, 4-6 fav); 3, Sapieha (W R Swinburn, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 18 Jimili (4th). 4 ran. Nk, 3l, 10l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £3.40. DF: £1.70. CSF: £4.53. 2min 12.49sec.

4.55 (5f) 1, BEAU VENTURE (D Biggs, 15-1); 2, Viceroy (B Raymond, 6-1); 3, Auroreum (N Adams, 50-1). ALSO RAN: 3 Fav Joe Sugden (4th), 5 Rawaabe, 7 Fay's Song (4th), 8 Croft Imperial, 10 Slip-A-Snip, Sid Captain, 14 City Link Pet, 20 Songlines, Kabcast, Martinosky (6th), 25 Frimley Parkson, 50 Aborn Swift. 15 ran. Hd, sh hd, hd, dh, 2½l. F Lee at Wilmslow. Tote: £18.00; £3.80, £2.80, £17.30. DF: £204.10. CSF: £107.53. Tricast: £4287.89. 59.85sec.

Placepot: £4,678.70. (Pool of £5690.39 carried forward to Goodwood today).

Hexham
Going: firm

1.50 (2m hdle) 1, You Are A Star (S Smith Eccles, 1-3 fav); 2, Spool (7-1); 3, Working Overtime (20-1). 6 ran. 2½l, 2l. M Tompkins. Tote: £1.20; £1.20, £1.50. DF: £1.90. CSF: £3.40.

2.20 (2m ch) 1, Highfield Prince (M Dwyer, 4-6 fav); 2, Just Frankie (6-4); 3, Dinsdale Lad (11-1). 3 ran. 3l, 12l. R O'Leary. Tote: £1.80. DF: £1.10. CSF: £1.91.

2.50 (2m hdle) 1, Al Frolic (F Murtagh, 4-5 fav); 2, Flighty Guest (5-1); 3, De Valera (5-1). 5 ran. ½l, 12l. P Monteith. Tote: £1.90; £1.20, £1.50. DF: £3.10. CSF: £4.99.

3.20 (2m 4f hdle) 1, Yamanouchi (D J Moffatt, 5-4); 2, Marcomite (20-1); 3, Bluebell Track (10-1). Cathos 8-11 fav. 5 ran. 8l, 7l. O Moffatt. Tote: £2.20; £1.10, £6.60. DF: £10.30. CSF: £18.71.

3.55 (2m ch) 1, Peacework (P Niven, 9-4); 2, Pinemartin (11-8 fav); 3, Malicho (100-30). 5 ran. ½l, 10l. Mrs G Reveley. Tote: £2.70; £1.80, £1.30. DF: £2.20. CSF: £5.36.

4.30 (3m hdle) 1, Back Before Dark (L O'Hara, 11-8); 2, Prince Metternich (4-5 fav); 3, Enchanted Court (11-1). 4 ran. 4l, 2l. P Monteith. Tote: £2.40. DF: £1.40. CSF: £2.80.

5.05 (2m NH Flat) 1, Tallywagger (N Bentley, 8-4 fav); 2, Carbla's Last (9-2); 3, Smart In Sable (3-1). 7 ran. 7l, 2l. G Moore. Tote: £2.90; £1.80, £2.90. DF: £8.50. CSF: £11.36.

Placepot: £21.80.

Racing next week

MONDAY: Warwick, Pontefract, Southwell.
TUESDAY: Warwick, Redcar, Folkestone, Newton Abbot.
WEDNESDAY: York, Haydock Park, Plumpton, Towcester.
THURSDAY: York, Haydock Park, Wincanton.
FRIDAY: Ascot, Market Rasen, Carlisle.
SATURDAY: Ascot, York, Ayr, Bangor, Southwell, Worcester.
(Flat meetings in bold)

Palatial Style to defy penalty in Cambridgeshire

THE Peter Easterby-trained **Palatial Style** is the pick of the handicap for today's William Hill Cambridgeshire at Newmarket despite picking up a 5lb penalty for winning at Newbury a fortnight ago, and he is my nap.

It is now clear that he would have much more oo his plate if the handicapper were in a positioo to revise his opinioo.

Today's weights were compiled after Palatial Style had won at Redcar and York in August. Since then he has turned another valuable handicap at Newbury into a processioo even though he was also burdened with a penalty that day. As the ground at Newbury was much faster than it was at York, it is also apparent that Palatial Style will not be bothered by the current fastish going.

Mellottie, who ran a fine race to finish second to Risen Moon on the correspooding occasion last year, will also be in his element provided that the raio stays away. He has been backed earlier this week in the belief that it will. I expect to see him run another fine race even though he has 18lb more on his back this time as he got a wretched run at Doncaster last time when he was beaten two-and-a-half leogths by Sky Cloud.

Troupe, who also had to be cootent with the runner-up prize oo Town Moor, is another who has been the subject of an ante-post gamble. But his connections have made it plain that rain is oeeded if he is to have a realistic chance of following in Risen Mooo's footsteps.

MANDARIN

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

It is pertinent to add that Troupe was beaten just over six lengths in fifth place behind Palatial Style at York in August. Now he is only 9lb better off with a horse who has put up an even better performance in the meantime.

In St Ninian Peter Easterby has a fine second string in his attempt to land the first leg of the autumn double for the first time.

Willie Carson can win the Oh So Sharp Stakes on **Enaya**, who is preferred to Alto Jane, Atmospheric Blues and Rose Indien oo the strength of a facile victory oo her debut at Kempton 11 days ago. Later in the afternoon, but wearing the same colours, Carson can also win the Suffolk Nursery on **Ghalyoon**, who woo snugly at Southwell last time after a promising first run at York.

While the St Leger third

Easterby: strong hand in Cambridgeshire

Micheletti should go well in the Jockey Club Cup, I marginally prefer the Goodwood Cup winner **Further Flight**.

Otherwise, it should pay to follow Michael Roberts riding **Lynam Prince** (2.40) and **Filia Ardross** (3.10) for Alec Stewart.

There was plenty to admire in the way that Filia Ardross battled it out at Goodwood last time to get the better of Gai Bulga and In The Groove and she is taken to win the Cheveley Park Stud Sun Chariot Stakes.

The way Lynam Prince disposed of the useful Farat at Nottingham suggests he has not been over-burdened with 9st 4lb in his first handicap.

Finally, a reminder that the running of the *Timeform Free Handicap Hurdle at Chepstow* today marks the publication of *Timeform Selections* for 1991/92 in additioo to *Chasers and Hurdlers 1990/91*, its annual review of the season.

While the former, which is a new publication, is bound to generate interest in the weeks ahead, the latter is its usual fountain of knowledge, fact, informatioo and opinioo without which the sport would be so much the poorer.

Belafonte who will be as fit as a flea after some successful racing oo the Flat, is my idea of the winner of the Free Handicap Hurdle while the Mercedes-Benz Handicap Chase can go to the Nicky Henderson-trained **Won't Be Gone Long**.

Blinkered first time

NEWMARKET: 4.20 Luthior, 4.50 Baileys By Name. GOODWOOD: 2.45 Man Of The Season, Gavelkind, Daravi.

NEWMARKET

MANDARIN	THUNDERER	RICHARD EVANS
2.05 Enaya.	2.05 Flourishing.	2.40 Lynam Prince.
2.40 Lynam Prince.	2.40 Daswaki.	3.45 Supreme Choice.
3.10 Filia Ardross.	3.10 FILIA ARDROSS (nap).	4.20 PAY HOMAGE (nap).
3.45 Further Flight.	3.45 Further Flight.	
4.20 PALATIAL STYLE (nap).	4.20 Dawn Success.	
4.50 Ghalyoon.	4.50 Merlins Wish.	
5.20 Skimble.	5.20 Skimble.	

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.05 Enaya. 3.45 *MICHELETTI (nap).* 4.50 Afif.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.20 PALATIAL STYLE.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

2.05 OH SO SHARP STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £7,570: 7f) (8 runners)

101 (6) 1 ALTO JANE 30 (D,F) (P Locke) G Harwood 8-9 R Cochrane 79
102 (8) 21523 ATMOSPHERIC BLUES 14 (G) (G Green) R Williams 8-9 Dean McKeown 87
103 (1) 1 ENAYA 11 (G) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-9 W Carson ● 99
104 (4) 1244 FLOURISHING 24 (D,F) (V Miles) D Wragg 8-9 W R Swinburn 95
105 (5) PERICOLO (G Leigh) L Cumani 8-8 L Dettori —
106 (3) 21 ROSE INDIEN 22 (F) (Ecurie Fustok) M Moubarak 8-9 A Cruz 98
107 (2) RUSTAKA (K Abdulla) B Hills 8-9 D Holland —
108 (7) 321102 SYLVAN 12 (F,G) (Mrs R Neave) C Wall 8-9 N Day 91

BETTING: 5-2 Enaya, 7-2 Alto Jane, 9-2 Pericolo, 8-1 Rose Indien, 7-1 Flourishing, 6-1 Rustaka, 10-1 Atmospheric Blues, 18-1 Sylvan.

1990: DARTREY 8-9 W R Swinburn (11-4 jt-fav) M Stoute 8 ran

2.40 PEOPLE-SPORTING LIFE CHAMPIONSHIP HANDICAP (C4)

(3-Y-O: £6,690: 1m) (15 runners)

201 (15) 3-22 BARKERVILLE 135 (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-7 W R Swinburn 83
202 (12) 0-21 LYNAM PRINCE 60 (D,G) (M Hawkes) A Stewart 9-4 M Roberts 94
203 (14) 2353 CAPRIATI 7 (C St George) H Cecil 9-0 L Dettori 87
204 (6) 1 BANDOL 186 (S) (K Abdulla) B Hills 8-12 D Holland 85
205 (9) 811000 DOMICKSKY 17 (CD,F,G,S) (Enterprise Markets Ltd) M Ryan 8-12 G Carter ● 99
206 (10) 021131 DASWAKI 22 (D,F,S) (D Allen) R Hannon 8-11 S Rouse 96
207 (11) 082210 SHEROOG 28 (CD,G) (A Al-Maktoum) M Jarvis 8-9 Paul Eddery 89
208 (4) 0-86511 COLOUR SERGEANT 56 (D) (The Queen) Lord Huntingdon 8-8 B Raymond 90
209 (13) 103013 MUDAFFAR 4 (D,BF,F,S) (A Al Shafar) R Armstrong 8-8 L Piggott 96
210 (1) 112004 HUSO 15 (D,F,G) (G Cole) P Haslam 8-3 B Doyle (5) 94
211 (2) 03-03 LOUDEST WHISPER 123 (R Richards) C Brittain 7-12 D Creslock 88
212 (7) 080113 CANDLE KING 22 (B,C,F,G) (Fairfax Partnership) M Fetherston-Godley 7-12 J Quinn 96
213 (5) 444518 SINCLAIR LAD 50 (F) (Sinclair Developments Ltd) R Hollinshead 7-9 H Carlisle 96
214 (8) 080560 HIGHLAND SPIRIT 14 (F) (G Senior) R Whitaker 7-7 N Kennedy (5) 96
215 (3) 8-00115 BARBARY REEF 73 (BF,F) (R Parsons) G Eden 7-7 A Mackay 89

Long handicap: Highland Spirit 7-6, Barbary Reef 7-1.

BETTING: 7-1 Mudaffar, 15-2 Barkerville, 8-1 Lynam Prince, Sheroog, 10-1 Bandol, Colour Sergeant, Daswaki, 12-1 Capriati, Huso, Candle King, 14-1 Barbary Reef, Domicksky, Loudest Whisper, 16-1 others.

1990: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

BARKERVILLE 3l 2nd to Flashfoot in Goodwood (1m 1f, good to firm) maiden; previously 1½l 2nd to Llangollen at Chester (1m 2f, good to soft) with SINCLAIR LAD (28lb better off) 33l 6th.
LYNAM PRINCE beat Farat 7l in Nottingham (1m, good) maiden. BANDOL beat Angel Love ½l in Doncaster (7f, soft) maiden in March. DASWAKI beat Major Mouse ¾l at Doncaster (1m, good to firm) with CANDLE KING (3lb better off) nk 3rd. COLOUR SERGEANT beat Kr 1½l in Southwell (AW, 1m) maiden; previously 7¾l 5th to Ajaad at Royal Ascot (1m, good) with DOMICKSKY (13lb better off) tailed off 23rd.
MUDAFFAR 7½l 3rd to Lord Oberon at Newcastle (1m, firm); previously beat Troupe nk at Doncaster (1m, good to firm). HUSO 8¼l 4th to Port Sunlight at Newbury (1m 1f, good to firm); earlier sh hd 2nd to Rise Up Singing on July Course (1m, good) with DOMICKSKY (6lb better off) 11l 8th and HIGHLAND SPIRIT (10lb better off) 14th. LOUDEST WHISPER 3½l 3rd to Bushy Tailed at Yarmouth (1m 2f, firm). SINCLAIR LAD beat Paper Dance 1½l at Pontefract (1m 2f, good to firm). BARBARY REEF beat Celestial Guest 2l at Yarmouth (1m 2f, firm) on penultimate start.
Selection: COLOUR SERGEANT

3.10 CHEVELEY PARK STUD SUN CHARIOT STAKES (C4)

(Group II: fillies & mares: £40,182: 1m 2f) (5 runners)

301 (1) 35-4611 FILIA ARDROSS 22 (V,D,F,G,S) (Dr K Rohde) A Stewart 5-9-3 M Roberts 98
302 (5) 8-81040 THIRD WATCH 20 (F,G) (P Goulandris) J Dunlop 3-8-11 J Reid ● 99
303 (4) 1-826 DARTREY 119 (C,F) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 3-8-8 W R Swinburn 97
304 (3) 142 RISTNA 22 (BF,G) (G Strawbridge) J Gosden 3-8-8 W Carson 92
305 (2) 541000 SIPSI FACH 30 (C,D,F,G) (W Joyce) M Bell 3-8-8 M Hills 86

BETTING: 7-4 Filia Ardross, 9-4 Dartrey, 7-2 Third Watch, 5-1 Ristna, 16-1 Sipsi Fach.

1990: KARTAJANA 3-8-11 W R Swinburn (11-10 fav) M Stoute 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

FILIA ARDROSS beat Gai Bulga ½l in group II Select Stakes at Goodwood (1m 2f, good to firm). THIRD WATCH 5¼l 8th of 14 in group I Prix Vermeille at Longchamp (1m 4f, good to firm); earlier beat Fiance Dancer 7l in group II Ribblesdale Stakes at Royal Ascot (1m 4f, good). DARTREY 13½l 8th to Jet Ski Lady in group I Gold Seal Oaks at Epsom (1m 4f, good); previously hd 2nd to Gussy Marlowe in group III Musidora Stakes at York (1m 2f 110yd, good to firm) with RISTNA 1l 4th. RISTNA 5l 2nd to Desert Sun at Doncaster (1m, good to firm).
Selection: FILIA ARDROSS

3.45 JOCKEY CLUB CUP (Group III: £25,335: 2m) (6 runners) (C4)

401 (5) 101120 FURTHER FLIGHT 27 (D,F,G,S) (S Wingfield Digby) B Hills 5-9-3 M Hills 90
402 (6) 025313 HAITHAM 28 (F,G) (N Barnes) R Akehurst 4-9-0 R Cochrane 90
403 (2) 230334 SHAMBO 45 (D,F,G) (Mrs C Brittain) C Brittain 4-9-0 M Roberts ● 99
404 (1) 2-01405 TRAINGLOT 23 (C,D,F,G,S) (M de Moubray) Jimmy Fitzgerald 4-9-0 W R Swinburn 91
405 (3) 1113 MICHELETTI 21 (C,G) (C St George) H Cecil 3-8-3 Paul Eddery 92
406 (4) 131214 SUPREME CHOICE 23 (D,G) (Morven Stud Ltd) B Hills 3-8-3 D Holland 93

BETTING: 7-4 Micheletti, 5-2 Further Flight, 5-1 Shambo, 8-1 Supreme Choice, 8-1 Haitham, 10-1 Traingiot.

1990: GREAT MARQUESS 3-8-3 L Dettori (3-1) H Cecil 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

FURTHER FLIGHT beat Turgeon hd in group II at Deauville (1m 7f 110yd) only to be placed 2nd. TRAINGLOT 14l 7th; previously beat Great Marquess 1l in Goodwood Cup (2m, good) with SHAMBO hd 3rd. HAITHAM 4l 3rd to Great Marquess in group III Doncaster Cup (2m 2f, good to firm) with SUPREME CHOICE hd 4th and TRAINGLOT 4½l 5th. MICHELETTI 16½l 3rd to Toulon in group I St Leger at Doncaster (1m 6f 124yd, good to firm).
Selection: FURTHER FLIGHT

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
H Cecil	74	335	22.1	W Carson	79	498	15.9
J Fanshawe	4	19	21.1	R Cochrane	57	416	13.8
M Stoute	55	284	19.4	W R Swinburn	55	404	13.6
L Cumani	55	310	17.7	L Dettori	33	253	13.0
Mrs J Ramsden	5	29	17.2	M Hills	36	285	12.6
J Gosden	11	65	16.9	M Roberts	57	472	12.1

(Not including yesterday's results)

GUIDE TO OUR IN-LINE RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers V — visor H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner O — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard, G — good, S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating

4.20 WILLIAM HILL CAMBRIDGESHIRE (C4)

(Handicap: £59,885: 1m 1f) (30 runners)

501 (7) 110532 ST NINIAN 30 (F,G,S) (Lady Murless) M H Easterby 5-9-10 L Piggott 85
502 (14) 340445 REGAL SABRE 14 (C,F,G) (A Budge Ltd) R Hannon 3-9-8 G Raymond 82
503 (18) 0-64111 PALATIAL STYLE 14 (D,F,G) (Skyline Racing Ltd) M H Easterby 4-9-8 (5ex) M Birch ● 99
504 (16) 033324 SCATTER 9 (F) (M Gordon) G Harwood 4-9-5 R Cochrane 85
505 (4) 100-300 DESERT SPLENDOUR 7 (C,G) (A Richards) C Brittain 3-9-4 B Doyle (5) 80
506 (12) 853230 OPERATION WOLF 70 (C,BF,F) (NTC Racing Ltd) C Brittain 5-9-2 L Dettori 87
507 (17) 225421 PAY HOMAGE 15 (D,F) (Miss A Hill) I Balding 3-9-1 J Reid 89
508 (27) 124042 MELLOTTIE 21 (D,F) (Mrs J Fulton) Mrs G Reveley 6-9-1 J Lowe 61
509 (28) 021610 BURDUR 28 (G) (M Kurz) D Laing 3-8-11 T Williams 61
510 (30) 840066 ROSEATE LODGE 17 (BF,F,G) (Wharf Racing) R Armstrong 5-8-8 A Cruz 86
511 (10) 311620 POLONEZ PRIMA 21 (C,D,F,G) (M Alchel) J Banks 4-8-8 L Newton (5) 84
512 (9) 412121 KNOCK KNOCK 30 (C,D,F,G) (G Smart) I Balding 6-8-7 B O'Gorman (5) 86
513 (8) 233-321 DEMOCRATIC 19 (F,G) (F Salman) M Bell 3-8-7 M Hills 87
514 (15) 424140 HALKOPOUS 7 (V,F,G,S) (A Christodoulou) M Tompkins 5-8-7 A Clark 85
515 (2) 003020 DAWN SUCCESS 28 (F,G,S) (Mrs C Paterson) C Brittain 5-8-4 G Crealock 87
516 (23) 511410 HIGH PREMIUM 21 (F,G) (D Thompson) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-3 D Holland 81
517 (24) 030031 DISSONANT 22 (D,F,G) (Lord Howard de Walden) Mrs J Cecil 5-8-2 M Roberts 90
518 (21) 060502 TROUPE 23 (BF,G) (R Sangster) B Hills 3-8-2 W Carson 91
519 (29) 100-205 WAKI GOLD 64 (D,F) (L Norris) P Kelleway 4-8-0 B Crossley 86
520 (5) 604504 AGE OF MIRACLES 2 (F,S) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 4-7-13 K Fallon 80
521 (3) 141002 PRIME PROSPECT 18 (C,F,S) (Mrs P Yong) M Jarvis 3-7-13 Paul Eddery 91
522 (22) 1-25304 BARFORD LAD 17 (S) (Mrs C Handscombe) J Fanshawe 4-7-13 D Carter 83
523 (1) 022003 RUN RINGS 15 (BF,F) (Fittocks Stud Ltd) L Cumani 3-7-12 J Weaver (7) 83
524 (20) 024015 CROFT VALLEY 4 (F) (Miss V Pratt) R Whitaker 4-7-10 N Kennedy (5) 86
525 (25) 104180 MODESTO 14 (G,S) (D Bass) K Cunningham-Brown 3-7-8 N Carlisle 93
526 (6) 211503 ROSE GLEN 14 (D,F,G,S) (D Furlong) A Bailey 5-7-7 Dale Gibson 85
527 (26) 453-0 LUTHIOR 164 (V,F) (T Paining) R Simpson 5-7-7 R Fox 84
528 (11) 361304 ROUSITTO 110 (S) (Mrs G Maloney) R Hollinshead 3-7-7 A Mackay 80
529 (19) 113334 VAGUE DANCER 15 (BF,F,G,S) (K Whaldon) Mrs J Ramsden 5-7-7 J Fanning (3) 82
530 (13) 842035 WESTFIELD MOVES 24 (V,F,G) (A Walkey) H Collingridge 3-7-7 J Quinn 76

Long handicap: Rousitto 7-6, Vague Dancer 7-3, Westfield Moves 6-12.

BETTING: 6-1 Palatial Style, 9-1 Troupe, 10-1 Mellottie, 12-1 St Ninian, 14-1 Democratic, 16-1 High Premium, 20-1 Operation Wolf, 25-1 Halkopous, Pay Homage, Regal Sabre, Run Rings, 33-1 Scatter, Roseate Lodge, Dawn Success, Dissonant, 40-1 Barford Lad, Prime Prospect, Vague Dancer, Burdur, 50-1 others

1990: RISEN MOON 3-8-9 S Cauthen (7-1 fav) B Hills 40 ran

FORM FOCUS

ST NINIAN 2¼l 2nd to Shalma in York (1m 1f, good to firm) listed race with DESERT SPLENDOUR 9th. REGAL SABRE 4¼l 5th to Collide at Newbury (1m, good to firm).
PALATIAL STYLE beat Bold Bostonian 7l at Newbury (1m 2f, good to firm) with MODESTO 37l 10th; previously beat DAWN SUCCESS (9lb better off) 2l at York (1m 1f, good) with HIGH PREMIUM (3lb better off) 4l 4th, TROUPE neck 5th, RUN RINGS 1¾l 7th and MELLOTTIE 12th. SCATTER 2¼l 4th to Selaah at Ascot (1m 4f, good to firm).
OPERATION WOLF 3l 3rd to You Know The Rules at Sandown (1m 2f, good) on penultimate start with PRIME PROSPECT 9th and AGE OF MIRACLES 12th. PAY HOMAGE beat Andrassy ½l in apprentice race at Lingfield (1m 1f, good to firm); previously sh hd 2nd to Piquant at Chester (1f 122yd, good to firm)
MELLOTTIE 2½l 2nd to Sky Cloud at Doncaster (1m, good to firm) with REGAL SABRE (1lb better off) 3½l 4th. HIGH PREMIUM 3l 7th and POLONEZ PRIMA 12th. BURDUR beat Something Quick 2½l at Goodwood (1m, good) in August. KNOCK KNOCK beat Petite Rosanna hd at Salisbury (1m 2f, good to firm). DEMOCRATIC beat Nucleus ½l at Leicester (1m, good). DISSONANT beat Sarabah 2½l at Goodwood (1m 1f, good to firm).
TROUPE nk 2nd to Mudaffar at Doncaster (1m, good to firm). PRIME PROSPECT nk 2nd to Chatham Island at Sandown (1m 2f, good to firm). BARFORD LAD ½l 4th to Sharp N'Smooth at Sandown (1m, good to firm) with ROSEATE LODGE staying-on 5½l 6th. CROFT VALLEY beat Top Scale hd at Beverley (1m 100yd, firm) on penultimate start
Selection: PALATIAL STYLE (nap)

4.50 SUFFOLK NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £6,888: 6f) (18 runners) (C4)

601 (15) 136611 AFIF 12 (D,F,S) (Prince A A Faisal) Mrs J Cecil 8-7 Paul Eddery ● 99
602 (17) 21303 SEBOSAN 85 (G) (V Sujenani) A Hide 9-1 R Cochrane 84
603 (5) 240212 ELTON LEDGER 37 (D,G) (G Fitzgerald) J Berry 9-0 J Carroll 91
604 (2) 215003 GREETLAND FOLLY 14 (D,F,G) (J Wilkins) R Whitaker 6-12 A Culhane 91
605 (11) 100 SASPARELLA 42 (F) (T Blackwell) W Jarvis 8-11 B Raymond 85
606 (4) 002102 PAGEBOY 21 (D,F) (Lord Scarsdale) P Haslam 8-10 L Piggott 91
607 (8) 01 GHALYOON 15 (D,F) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-9 W Carson 89
608 (18) 4114 MUD WRESTLING 18 (D,BF,F) (E Evans) L Cumani 8-9 L Dettori 89
609 (7) 080 MERLINS WISH 21 (J Lazzari) R Hannon 8-8 W R Swinburn 90
610 (6) 013304 MACS BUCKAROO 19 (Tamdown Ltd) W O'Gorman 8-5 A Cruz 93
611 (16) 032 CONFRONTER 10 (Y Nasib) P Cole 8-5 B Doyle (5) 91
612 (12) 043 DOURAJ 17 (M Obaida) C Brittain 8-2 M Roberts 89
613 (9) 3848 MEXICAN DANCER 58 (BF) (Mrs P Talbot-Ponsonby) R Holder 8-2 G Carter 86
614 (3) 402 GOLD BELT 15 (Lord Weinstock) Lord Huntingdon 8-1 D Holland 86
615 (1) 00021 DON'T SMILE 7 (D,S) (B Schmidt-Bodner) M Tompkins 7-12 Dale Gibson 93
616 (13) 458544 EASTLEIGH 92 (J Bigg) R Hollinshead 7-10 M Humphries 88
617 (14) 111600 BAILEYS BY NAME 7 (V,D,F) (G Bailey Ltd) M Johnston 7-9 J Lowe 86
618 (10) 03008 RED KITE 19 (K Mercer) M Bell 7-7 J Quinn 93

BETTING: 8-1 Afif, 7-1 Don't Smile, Mud Wrestling, 8-1 Elton Ledger, Ghalyoon, 10-1 Merlins Wish, Pageboy, 12-1 Sebosan, Gold Belt, 14-1 Confronter, Douraj, 18-1 others.

1990: CLIFTON CHARLIE 9-3 S Cauthen (5-1) C Nelson 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

AFIF beat Sylvan 5l at Folkestone (6f). SEBOSAN just over 1l 3rd to Patrician Magician at Thirsk (6f). ELTON LEDGER ¾l 2nd to Miss Doody at Lingfield (6f, good to firm). GREETLAND FOLLY 3¼l 3rd to Sense Of Priority at Catterick (7f, good to firm). PAGEBOY sh hd 2nd to Holetown at Doncaster (6f, good to firm). GHALYOON beat GOLD BELT (3lb better off) 1½l at Southwell (6f, good to firm). MUD WRESTLING 4¼l 4th to Minstrel's Age at Yarmouth (7f, firm). CONFRONTER 2½l 2nd to Native Chieftan at Brighton (7f, good). DON'T SMILE beat Lombard Ocean 1½l at Haydock (6f, good to soft) with BAILEYS BY NAME (12lb better off) 7¼l 11th. RED KITE 2¼l 3rd to Gymcrak Tycoon at Leicester (6f, good) with MACS BUCKAROO (1lb better off) ½l 4th.
Selection: AFIF

5.20 ALINGTON MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES (2-Y-O: £5,010: 6f) (14 runners)

1 (13) ALBERJAS (M Obaida) C Brittain 8-11 G Crealock —
2 (11) CHILD'S PLAY (Lord Tavistock) Mrs J Cecil 8-11 M Roberts —
3 (9) EDGEAWAY (Thoroughbred Exchange) J Hills 8-11 M Hills —
4 (3) ESPRIT FORT (Princess Michael of Kent) B Hills 8-11 D Holland —
5 (14) FERMOY (Sheikh Mohammed) L Cumani 8-11 L Dettori —
6 (5) 0 GHURRAH 11 (H Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 8-11 W Carson —
7 (6) 006 HORIZONTALE 16 (Mrs J Heslop) C Brittain 8-11 M Birch 73
8 (8) HURRY TO GLORY (M Hill) M Jarvis 8-11 B Raymond —
9 (2) 2358 MAINLY ME 11 (Mrs A Sutton) Mrs J Cecil 8-11 L Piggott ● 99
10 (7) 00 PERSIAN SONG 11 (Mrs R Peacock) R Hannon 8-11 B Rouse —
11 (10) SCARLATINE (Lord Derby) J Gosden 8-11 R Cochrane —
12 (4) SKIMBLE (K Abdulla) H Cecil 8-11 W Ryan —
13 (12) 0 WHEELER'S WONDER 12 (W Gredley) C Brittain 8-11 A Cruz —
14 (1) YOUSEFIA (M Al-Maktoum) M Stoute 8-11 W R Swinburn —

BETTING: 5-2 Skimble, 4-1 Yousefia, 8-1 Scarlatine, 7-1 Mainly Me, 8-1 Fermoy, 10-1 Esprit Fort, 12-1 Edgeaway, Child's Play, 14-1 others.

1990: CRYSTAL PATH 8-11 T Quinn (11-2) M Moubarak 11 ran

UTTOXETER

MANDARIN
2.00 Blakes Secret. 2.30 Kildimo. 3.00 Electric Dancer. 3.30 Ross Venture. 4.00 St Louis Blues. 4.30 Captain Dibble. 5.05 Linn Falls.

THUNDERER
2.00 Grey Rum. 2.30 Killbanon. 3.00 Electric Dancer. 3.30 Crock-Na-Nee. 4.00 St Louis Blues. 4.30 Captain Dibble. 5.05 Clares Horse.

GOING: GOOD

2.00 EVENING SENTINEL NOVICES HURDLE (£1,753: 2m) (16 runners)

1 F-1F HELMAR 21 (S) F Jordan 5-11-5 J Lodder
2 05- BACK FROM THE DEAD 197 J Upson 5-10-12 R Supple
3 04- BENZ BEST 387 M H Easterby 5-10-12 R Fahey
4 654- BLAKES SECRET 288 Miss H Knight 5-10-12 J Osborne
5 024- GREY RUM 8F R Lee 8-10-12 J Short
6 60-4 LOCK KEEPER 16 J Mackie 5-10-12 G J O'Neill
7 0/ LUCKY BUCKET 891 (S) G Roe 9-10-12 W Marston (7)
8 024- RONALD IVOR 141 C Jackson 5-10-12 V Slattery (5)
9 0- SECOND COUSIN 316 Mrs S Bramall 8-10-12 J O'Gorman
10 0 BARLAD 42 G Richards 4-10-11 N Doughty
11 0 CORPORATE MEMBER 14 G Barnett 4-10-11 Peter Caldwell
12 DARING MINSTREL 772F P Blockley 4-10-11 S Knightley
13 NAFFUJON 36F R Peacock 8-10-7 R Milner (7)
14 423- POP ABROAD 288 P Bevan 6-10-7 T Wall
15 0 COMIC RELIEF 58 S Morgan 4-10-6 S Doran
16 0 ESCAPE TALK 29 J Dooler 4-10-6 M Drugan (7)

4-1 Pop Abroad, 5-1 Grey Rum, 8-1 Back From The Dead, 13-2 Helmar, 6-1 Benz Best, 10-1 Blakes Secret, 14-1 Ronald Ivor.

2.30 DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD HANDICAP CHASE (£6,937: 3m 2f) (7)

1 3P5- KILDIMO 205 (F,G,S) Mrs S Smith 11-12-0 J Callaghan (3)
2 330- STAY ON TRACKS 169 (F,G,S) W A Stephenson 9-10-8 C Grant
3 310- BUCKSHEE BOY 171 (G,S) J Pilkington 9-10-4 D Tegg
4 B3F- KILLBANON 171 (F,G,S) C Trietline 9-10-3 B Powell
5 1-12 THE DEMON BARBER 9 (BF,F,G,S) G Richards 9-10-2 J Osborne
6 14P- GLASS MOUNTAIN 161 (F,G) P Blockley 6-10-0 P Midgley (7)
7 321- CASTLEVENNON 186 (D,F,G,S) Mrs S Bramall 10-10-0 J O'Gorman

11-4 Kildimo, 7-2 Buckshee Boy, 5-1 Stay On Tracks, 8-1 Killbanon, 13-2 The Demon Barber, 10-1 Castlevennon, 12-1 others.

3.00 NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ADVERTISER SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,696: 3m) (10)

1 55/ STONEY CREEK 506 (D,F,G,S) K Bailey 11-11-10 G Bazin (7)
2 8P/ ARDRA DUKE 591 F Jordan 7-11-0 J Lodder
3 /U0- BHARKAT 211 (F) J Norton 5-10-12 P Harley
4 13-3 ELECTRIC DANCER 7 (F) C Horgan 5-10-12 R Beggan
5 00-0 BICKERSTAFFE 28 (C,G,S) R Callow 10-10-4 E Tierney (7)
6 8P-4 MO ICHI DO 42 (B,C,F) Miss S Wilton 6-10-4 Mr T Eley (7)
7 0-P5 FLYING JUNCTION 28 (G) D Ham 5-10-0 M A Fitzgerald (7)
8 38P- FAST REALM 152 (C,F) D Wellcome 6-10-0 A Carroll
9 /6P- THE ONLY WAY OUT 308 R Juckes 5-10-0 D Leahy (7)
10 F0P- ROUTE MARCH 187 (V,S) P Pritchard 12-10-0 —

3-1 Electric Dancer, 9-2 Bharkat, 5-1 Bickerstaffe, Mo Ichi Do, 8-1 Flying Junction, 10-1 Stoney Creek, 14-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Jimmy Fitzgerald, 5 winners from 20 runners, 25.0%; Mrs S Oliver, 6 from 25, 24.0%; D Burchell, 6 from 38, 23.7%; J Edwards, 19 from 91, 20.9%; M H Easterby, 4 from 21, 19.0%; G Richards, 13 from 70, 18.6%.

JOCKEYS: Jacqui Oliver, 3 winners from 5 rides, 60.0%; N Williamson, 8 from 26, 30.8%; D Byrne, 5 from 24, 20.8%; N Doughty, 8 from 39, 20.5%; A Mulholland, 3 from 16, 18.8%; S Davies, 7 from 49, 14.3%.

3.30 16th/5th THE QUEEN'S ROYAL LANCERS HANDICAP CHASE (£2,254: 2m 4f) (7)

1 F3-P WISTOWN BAY 7 (CD,F,G) J Mackie 8-11-10 D Tegg
2 211- ROSS VENTURE 140 (D,F,G) J Edwards 8-11-3 Mr A Farrant (7)
3 043- CROCK-NA-NEE 192 (D,G,S) G Richards 10-11-0 N Doughty
4 5-34 MASNOON 21 (D,F,G,S) J Eyre 8-10-13 A Mulholland
5 141- TIPPING TIM 148 (CD,G,S) N Twiston-Davies 6-10-5 C Llewellyn
6 605- QUARRY TOWN 187 (D,F) Miss H Knight 8-10-0 J Osborne
7 30-3 KAMEO STYLE 21 (F,G,S) F Jordan 8-10-0 J Lodder

5-2 Ross Venture, 7-2 Tipping Tim, 9-2 Wigtown Bay, 7-1 Masnoon, 8-1 Kameo Style, Crock-Na-Nee, 10-1 Quarry Town.

4.00 STAFFORDSHIRE REGIMENT HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,822: 2m) (9)

1 145- SHU FLY 160 (CD,F,G) Mrs S Oliver 7-12-0 Jacqui Oliver
2 431- BOUTZDAROFF 164 (D,F,G) Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-11-11 D Byrne
3 114- GULSHA 182 (D,S) N Twiston-Davies 5-11-10 C Llewellyn
4 12-4 ST LOUIS BLUES 16 (D,F) J Edwards 6-11-1 Mr A Farrant (7)
5 28-4 WINDWARD ARIOM 19F (D,F,S) N Bycroft 5-10-12 R Marley
6 10P- SOLDIERS DUTY 158 (D,G,S) J Mackie 7-10-9 G J O'Neill
7 06/ ASHBOURNE LAD 751 (D,F,S) G Ham 9-10-3 B Powell
8 40-2 PANT LLIN 21 (B,D,F) F Jordan 5-10-0 J Lodder
9 00-P FAIR SEAS 21 (D,F) D Wellcome 5-10-0 A Carroll

3-1 Boutzdaroff, 4-1 Shu Fly, 11-2 Gulsha, 6-1 Windward Ariom, 13-2 St Louis Blues, 8-1 Soldiers Duty, 10-1 Pant Llin, 25-1 others.

4.30 STAFFORDSHIRE YEOMANRY NOVICES CHASE (£2,159: 2m 6f) (14)

1 48-3 ACERTAINHIT 10 S Bowring 7-11-0 —
2 P/ AFRICANUS MAJOR 1073 N Twiston-Davies 7-11-0 S Cowley
3 150- CAPTAIN DIBBLE 206 (F,G,S) N Twiston-Davies 6-11-0 C Llewellyn
4 /00- DELGANY RUN 510 Miss H Knight 7-11-0 J Osborne
5 3F-5 ENCHANTED MAN 10 (F,S) D Burchell 7-11-0 D J Burchell
6 33P- INTO THE GLEN 175 W A Stephenson 8-11-0 C Grant
7 F5L- LUCKY FEN 555 (F) J Bennett 11-11-0 S Burrough
8 /F-P QUINTANA 68 (F,G,S) P Bevan 9-11-0 T Wall
9 4134 SHARP ORDER 16 (F) Miss S Wilton 6-11-0 S Davies (5)
10 36P4 ANTHONY BELL 7 P Blockley 5-10-12 P Midgley (7)
11 2342 CROSSOFSPANCILHILL 7 (F) C Trietline 5-10-12 B Powell
12 44-5 SUREN 14 (B) C Weedon 5-10-12 Peter Hobbs
13 2P4- LADY TOKEN 168 (F) H Gill 7-10-9 Mrs A Farrell
14 -2P3 RIORDANS WELL 7 W Clay 6-10-9 —

10-11 Captain Dibble, 8-1 Enchanted Man, 15-2 Lady Token, 12-1 Into The Glen, 14-1 Crossofspancilhill, 16-1 others.

5.05 GREEN'UN NOVICES HURDLE (£1,713: 2m 6f) (16)

1 22-1 ROSTHERNE 63 (B,D,F) R O'Leary 9-11-5 C Grant
2 280- GRANGE BRAKE 211 (S) N Twiston-Davies 5-10-12 C Llewellyn
3 JOCK'S BURN D Richards 5-10-12 M Moloney (3)
4 PANATHINAIKOS 1089F G Ham 8-10-12 B Powell
5 /03- SOUTH STACK 131 Mrs S Smith 6-10-12 J Callaghan (3)
6 00- ARR EFF BEE 210 J Smith 4-10-10 S J O'Neill
7 0-3 CLARES HORSE 10 J Upson 4-10-10 R Supple
8 342- FASTBIT 138 C Jackson 4-10-10 V Slattery (5)
9 GO ELECTRIC 456F M H Easterby 4-10-10 R Fahey
10 5 MASCULINE 7 J Norton 4-10-10 W Fry (7)
11 WELL BRIEFED W A Stephenson 4-10-10 K Johnson
12 13F- BOREEN JEAN 336 (G) K Bridgwater 7-10-7 D Bridgwater (3)
13 35-6 CAINSBRIDGE QUEEN 14 (S) Mrs G Jones 6-10-7 N Williamson
14 P2-2 LINN FALLS 10 G Richards 8-10-7 N Doughty
15 0P-P MAGIC BLOOM 29 J Dooler 5-10-7 D Wilkinson
16 -222 TOCHENKA 21 R Juckes 7-10-7 M A Fitzgerald (7)

7-2 Rostherne, 4-1 Linn Falls, 11-2 Boreen Jean, 6-1 South Stack, Clares Horse, 8-1 Tochenka, 10-1 Fastbit, 20-1 Well Briefed.

KELSO

MANDARIN
2.15 Go Tally-Ho. 2.45 Local Customer. 3.15 Ambuscade. 3.45 Hoddam Brig. 4.15 Danza Heights. 4.45 Rawaan.

THUNDERER
2.15 Go Tally-Ho. 2.45 Local Customer. 3.15 Austhorpe Sunset. 3.45 Hoddam Brig. 4.15 Danza Heights. 4.45 Rawaan.

GOING: FIRM (HARD IN PLACES)

2.15 TAMDHU 10 YO SINGLE MALT JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,618: 2m) (3 runners)

1 FLASS VALE 25F T Fairhurst 10-12 R Garritty
2 3 GO TALLY-HO 9 (V) J J O'Neill 10-7 M Dwyer
3 TOP-ANNA 19F Miss L Perratt 10-7 G McCourt

1-4 Go Tally-Ho, 7-2 Top-Anna, 6-1 Flass Vale.

2.45 HIGHLAND PARK 12 YO SINGLE MALT NOVICES CHASE (£2,320: 2m 6f) (4)

1 F3-1 ARPAL FOREVER 10 (S) R Allan 7-11-8 B Storey
2 232- LOCAL CUSTOMER 154 M Hammond 8-11-2 P Niven
3 F33U WAYSIDE 7 V Thompson 8-11-2 R Garritty
4 CEILIDH BOY Mrs J Goodfellow 5-11-0 D McCourt

6-4 Local Customer, 9-4 Arpal Forever, Wayside, 9-2 Ceilidh Boy.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M Hammond, 6 winners from 22 runners, 27.3%; Mrs G Reveley, 14 from 69, 20.3%; N Tinkler, 4 from 28, 14.3%. (Only qualifiers).

JOCKEYS: G McCourt, 7 winners from 28 rides, 25.0%; L O'Hara, 13 from 55, 23.6%; P Niven, 16 from 89, 18.2%; M Dwyer, 14 from 85, 16.5%; A Merrigan, 9 from 65, 13.8%; R Garritty, 3 from 22, 13.6%.

3.15 CHRISTIE'S SCOTLAND HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,052: 2m 6f) (4)

1 308- ARMAGRET 168 (C,F,G,S) G Wilkinson 8-12-0 L O'Hara
2 0/F- AUSTHORPE SUNSET 813 (F,G,S) M Hammond 7-11-12 Mrs G Lyons (7)
3 PF-3 AMBUSCADE 9 (C,F,S) Mrs D Reveley 5-11-3 P Niven
4 -542 HARD TO HOLD 7 (F,G) C Beaver 8-10-0 Mr A Hambly

5-4 Armagret, 9-4 Ambuscade, 7-2 Hard To Hold, 8-1 Austhorpe Sunset.

3.45 CHRISTIAN SALVESEN FOOD SERVICES QUAICH HANDICAP CHASE (£2,864: 3m) (4)

1 6/2 NORTHERN MEADOW 7 (CD,F) Mr S Chadwick 10-11-10 F Murtagh (7)
2 4P-5 MAJIC RAIN 10 (CD,G) G Coatsworth 6-11-9 A Merrigan
3 036- THE MALTKILN 205 (V,G,S) M Hammond 8-11-7 P Niven
4 -421 HODDAM BRIG 7 (D,F) D Scott 12-11-0 Miss J Thurlow

Evens Hoddam Brig, 7-4 The Maltkiln, 4-1 Majic Rain, 8-1 Northern Meadow.

4.15 FAMOUS GROUSE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,618: 2m 2f) (4)

1 1 DANZA HEIGHTS 29 (F) Mrs G Reveley 5-11-0 P Niven
2 6U-0 AMBER PAYNE 83 Mrs P Barker 7-11-0 C Hawkins
3 50-0 SPRING MORN 6 Mrs G Taylor 8-11-0 D Harker
4 030- SAGE BRUSH 161 G Wilkinson 5-10-9 R Hodge (7)

11-10 Danza Heights, 3-1 Sage Brush, 9-2 Spring Morn, 5-1 Amber Payne.

4.45 PINTAIL SHERRY HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,024: 2m) (3)

1 522- SOUTER'S HILL 4F (D,G) T Craig 4-12-0 C Hawkins
2 05-1 PERSUASIVE 10 (D,G,S) Miss L Perratt 4-11-5 NON-RUNNER
3 1411 RAWAAN 7 (D,F,G,S) N Tinkler 4-10-11 G McCourt

6-15 Rawaan, 3-1 Souter's Hill.

CHEPSTOW

MANDARIN	THUNDERER
2.05 Mister Gebo.	2.05 Classic Statement.
2.40 Wont Be Gone Long.	2.40 Wont Be Gone Long.
3.15 Belafonte.	3.15 Bottles.
3.50 Trireme.	3.50 Trireme.
4.25 Kruggeran Smuggler.	4.25 Monkscombe.
5.00 Blake's Progress.	5.00 Another Cruise.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM SIS

2.05 SOUTH WALES SHOWER SUPPLIES HANDICAP HURDLE (BBC1)

(£3,480: 3m) (6 runners)

1 /40/1-F5 MELENDEZ 39 (D,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs A Farrant) M Pipe 8-12-0 P Scudamore 85
2 181F0-2 MISTER GEBO 16 (CD,F,G) (D Jones) J Edwards 6-11-0 H Williamson 83
3 PP/111/ DON KEYDROP 807 (D) (Mrs V Dalton) Miss B Sanders 7-10-12 Dale McKeown —
4 330315- CLASSIC STATEMENT 7F (S) (Mrs E Hitchins) R Lee 5-10-0 W McFarland ● 99
5 434-234 THE HUMBLE TILLER 7 (BF,G,S) (John Hanmer) C Nash 8-10-0 Mrs P Nash (7) 85
6 6R0PRR- GENERAL CHRYSON 156 (S) (A Ridout) A Ridout 11-10-0 P Holley 80

Long handicap: Classic Statement 9-12, The Humble Tiller 9-11, General Chryson 9-6.

BETTING: 8-4 Mister Gebo, 11-4 Classic Statement, 9-2 Melendez, 6-1 The Humble Tiller, 10-1 Don Keydrop, 33-1 General Chryson.

1990: IN HIS OWN 7-10-8 L Harvey (11-4 jt-fav) R Akehurst 8 ran

FORM FOCUS

MELENDEZ tailed off 5th behind For Heaven's Sake at Newton Abbot (3m 2f 110yd, firm); earlier beat General Pershing 7l at Uttoxeter (3m, good to firm) on sole start last season.
MISTER GEBO 3l 2nd to Volcanic Dancer at Uttoxeter (3m, good to firm). DON KEYDROP completed treble with 8l defeat of Lesbet at Lingfield (AW, 3m). CLASSIC STATEMENT beat Sound Of June 5l at Hereford (3m 1f, good to soft) penultimate start. THE HUMBLE TILLER distant 4th to Stormwatch at Stratford (2m 6f, good).
Selection: CLASSIC STATEMENT

2.40 MERCEDES BENZ HANDICAP CHASE (£4,113: 3m) (5 runners) (BBC1)

1 P14/B83- WONT BE GONE LONG 161 (CD,F,G) (R Waley-Cohen) N Henderson 9-12-0 R Dunwoody ● 99
2 3UF0-33 IMADYNA 21 (V,CD,F) (Sir E Parker) D Barons 9-10-7 N Hawke 89
3 114/P4F- THIRD IN LINE 157 (D,F,G) (Mrs V Edwards) J Edwards 8-10-0 H Williamson —
4 221-211 PLAYPEN 17 (F) (P Tylor) R Frost 7-10-0 J Frost 90
5 /003/P0- FANDANGO BOY 136 (F,G,S) (Mrs S Williams) Mrs S Williams 8-10-0 S McNeill —

Long handicap: Third In Line 9-7, Playpen 8-8, Fandango Boy 8-4.

BETTING: 8-5 Wont Be Gone Long, 11-4 Playpen, 3-1 Imadyna, 16-1 Fandango Boy, Third In Line.

1990: IMADYNA 8-10-0 B Powell (11-8 fav) D Barons 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

WONT BE GONE LONG 5¾l 3rd to subsequently disqualified Cahervillahow in grade II Whitbread Gold Cup at Sandown (3m 5f, good to firm).
IMADYNA 15½l 3rd to Major Match at Worcester (3m, firm). THIRD IN LINE 33l 4th to John Sam in hunter chase at Taunton (3m, good to firm) penultimate start. PLAYPEN beat Rafute 12l at Devon (3m 1f, hard); previously beat sole opponent Toukshad (pulled up) at Newton Abbot (3m 2f 110yd, firm). FANDANGO BOY tailed off 9th to Foxtree at Worcester (2m 4f, good to firm).
Selection: WONT BE GONE LONG

3.15 TIMEFORM FREE HANDICAP HURDLE (BBC1)

(4-Y-O: £6,985: 2m) (7 runners)

1 108155- OLYMPIAN 187 (B,D,F,G) (M & N Plant Ltd) T McGovern 11-10 W McFarland ● 99
2 15401- BELAFONTE 17F (CD,F,S) (B Tregurtha) R Holder 11-10 N Mann 82
3 1P61-2F MARLINGFORD 9 (D,G,S) (J Law) Mrs J Jordan 11-9 D Morris 93
4 1230- BOTTLES 17F (D,S) (Victoria Hotel, Lowestoft) J Banks 11-9 S Smith Eccles 83
5 81215- CRYSTAL BEAM 217 (D,F,S) (Lewis H Norris) P Kelleway 11-6 P Scudamore 90
6 221211- SNUGGLE 8F (D) (Mrs J Wootton) M Tompkins 10-6 R Campbell 80
7 5021-00 ROY HOBBS 26 (F) (P Clarke) K Burke 10-0 A Maguire 89

Long handicap: Roy Hobbs 9-9.

BETTING: 11-4 Belafonte, 3-1 Bottles, 4-1 Olympian, 6-1 Crystal Beam, 15-2 Marlingford, 10-1 Snuggle, 33-1 Roy Hobbs.

1990: COE 4-10-0 L Harvey (6-1) R Akehurst 16 ran

FORM FOCUS

OLYMPIAN 20l 5th to Oh So Risky in grade I Triumph Hurdle at Cheltenham (2m, good) with BOTTLES (1lb better off) 8l 8th and BELAFONTE (same terms) well beaten 19th; previously beat MARLINGFORD (9lb worse off) 15l at Sandown (2m, good).
BELAFONTE beat Haitham 4l at Haydock (2m, good to firm). MARLINGFORD disputing lead when fell 2 out at Perth (2m 4f, good); previously 3l 2nd to Vain Prince at same course (2m, good to firm). BOTTLES 6½l 3rd to Reve De Valse at Haydock (2m, soft) penultimate start with CRYSTAL BEAM (3lb better off) 20l 5th. CRYSTAL BEAM beat Black Sapphire neck in novice hurdle at Plumpton (2m, good to soft) penultimate start. SNUGGLE comfortably beat Amour Du Soir 4l at Lingfield (2m, AW). ROY HOBBS disappointing since beating Sheerwind 20l in novice hurdle at Cartmel (2m 1f, firm) in May.
Selection: OLYMPIAN

3.50 LODGE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,618: 2m 4f) (12 runners)

1 1 TRIREME 64 (D,F) (K Sturgis) J White 4-11-7 R Guest 81
2 6/4- AFTERTHOUGHT 332 (P Lloyd) A Barrow 8-11-2 W Irvine 94
3 64/32- ALDORS BOY 400 (A Cook) J Thomas 5-11-2 R Dunwoody —
4 00/ MAJESTICIAN 532 (B Llewellyn) B Llewellyn 8-11-2 L Harvey —
5 5-1 MISS BOBBY BENNETT 7 (G) (B Kilpatrick) M Pipe 4-11-2 P Scudamore ● 99
6 P// NATIONAL SERVICE 909F (T Raymond) P Bowen 6-11-2 B McNeill —
7 6/1F4PP- SIDE OF HILL 197 (S) (M & N Plant Ltd) T McGovern 6-11-2 W McFarland —
8 60P/0P0- TEE OU 173 (F) (T Quality Ltd) J King 6-11-2 J White —
9 4666- VAZON EXPRESS 168 (R Perkins) P Dalton 5-11-2 J J Quinn 91
10 40- VOLPEDO 5F (C Electrical Controls Ltd) R Manning 4-11-0 S Smith Eccles 96
11 DEVONIA (D Barons) D Barons 6-10-11 N Hawke —
12 0840// GOOD APPEAL 911 (D Bolt) Mrs A Knight 6-10-11 D Knight —

BETTING: 13-8 Miss Bobby Bennett, 3-1 Trireme, 6-1 Afterthought, 8-1 Devonia, 10-1 Vazon Express, 16-1 Side Of Hill, 20-1 Volpedo, 25-1 others

1990: THATCHER ROCK 5-11-2 B Powell (2-1 jt-fav) D Barons 6 ran

4.25 AUTUMN NOVICES CHASE (£2,476: 2m 4f) (10 runners)

1 04/ AMENHOTEP 541 (D Barons) D Barons 6-11-0 N Hawke —
2 2//F582- KRUGGERAN SMUGGLER 192 (B,S) (Mrs C Heyton) C Popham 8-11-0 W Irvine 93
3 0PF2PP- MONKSCOMBE 140 (F) (D Rose) Mrs J Pitman 8-11-0 M Pitman 91
4 603//P4- PHILIPINTOWN LAD 382 (E Mangan) K Burke 6-11-0 J White 71
5 0/0P0P0- ROMANY SPLIT 185 (Mrs S Lockhart) N Twiston-Davies 6-11-0 P Scudamore —
6 F0/502F- SHARPRIDGE 175 (J Skull) J King 7-11-0 J Kavanagh (3) ● 99
7 266//P5- THE HILL 149 (G) (A Bright) S Smart 9-11-0 J Railton —
8 00/P4- THE MOSSES 270 (Lord Leverhulme) T Forster 8-11-0 H Davies —
9 6/P3/P/ AUGUST FOLLY 507 (P Andrews) R Price 11-10-9 Mr O Duggan (7) —
10 PPFP0// FOUR M'S 961 (C Nash) C Nash 7-10-9 R Dunwoody —

BETTING: 9-4 Kruggeran Smuggler, 7-2 Monkscombe, 8-1 Sharpridge, 6-1 Philipintown Lad, Amenhotep, 10-1 The Hill, 16-1 Romany Split, 20-1 The Mosses, 25-1 others.

1990: PICADOR 6-10-9 Mr J Durkan (4-6 fav) P Hobbs 6 ran

5.00 SOUTH-WEST RACECOURSES AMATEUR RIDERS SERIES - ROUND 1 HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,796: 2m) (10 runners)

1 211335- FIVE LAMPS 178 (D,G,S) (Mrs C Holder) R Dickin 11-11-10 B Leavy (7) 97
2 212128 STANWAY 15 (BF,D,F) (Mrs P Joynes) Mrs P Joynes 4-11-9 S Joynes (7) 91
3 230/U40- BASILEA 248 (D,S) (S Sainsbury) T Forster 8-11-7 R Farrant (7) —
4 P14221 BLAKE'S PROGRESS 17 (B,D,F) (D Few) M Pipe 5-11-6 F Monnier (3) ● 99
5 65/1FPF- ANOTHER CRUISE 183 (F) (J Price) R Price 6-10-11 D Duggan (7) —
6 /51/P4-0 WILLESDON 28 (D,F) (Mrs V Palmer) A Barrow 7-10-7 G Lewis (7) 96
7 253660- BABY BOY 32F (D,S) (Miss V Haigh) C Holmes 10-10-4 Miss V Haigh (7) 96
8 0580-44 OCCAMIST 17 (D,F) (B Preece) B Preece 6-10-0 T George (7) 94
9 222/030- ARRAN VIEW 296 (B Llewellyn) B Llewellyn 5-10-0 — 96
10 PP/50-P TENOFUS 10 (F Faulkner) C Broad 6-10-0 T Jenks ● 99

Long handicap: Occamist 9-13, Arran View 9-13, Tenofus 8-12.

BETTING: 2-1 Stanway, 5-2 Blake's Progress, 4-1 Five Lamps, 12-1 Arran View, 14-1 Occamist, 16-1 Basilea, Willesdon, 33-1 Baby Boy, 50-1 others.

1990: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
M Pipe	38	120	31.7	P Scudamore	34	93	36.6
Mrs J Pitman	17	74	23.0	N Hawke	6	21	28.6
N Twiston-Davies	3	15	20.0	M Pitman	13	51	25.5
N Henderson	4	25	16.0	J White	5	23	21.7
H Holder	7	44	15.9	S Smith Eccles	3	14	21.4
D Barons	12	77	15.6	N Mann	3	18	16.7

Osario finds form

SNAADEE'S big reputation made him a warm order for the City Of Portsmouth Supreme Stakes at Goodwood yesterday, but he could finish only fourth behind the 20-1 chance Osario, another winner for Richard Hannon.

Unlucky horse of the race was the runner-up Susurration, who was trapped behind the leaders on the far rails with a furlong to go, unable to find an opening. When she saw daylight, Susurration finished to such effect that she was beaten only a neck at the post.

Osario's victory was all the more remarkable for the fact that he was beaten in a £3,000 claimer at Sandown a few weeks ago. But he was a good fourth to stable companion Shalford at Ascot last Saturday.

Expectations are high as three home countries carry the burden of favouritism into their opening World Cup matches

Wales pin hopes on mastery of set-pieces

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

WALES, obliged to name their team at least 48 hours before kick-off, left themselves with precious little margin before their XV to play Western Samoa at Cardiff Arms Park tomorrow was announced yesterday. For that, given their recent casualty list, they can scarcely be blamed. When it emerged, the team contained one new cap in Ken Waters, the Newbridge hooker.

Waters, aged 29, takes over from Garin Jenkins, of Pontypool, who played in the 22-9 defeat by France last month. The other change is in the second row where Phil May, now 35, *wins* his seventh cap – his first six having come in 1988 – ahead of Paul Arnold. Such has been May's contribution to the forward build-up, and so extensive his experience, that Alan Davies, the coach, had no doubt about his inclusion.

"Age is not a concern for us," Davies said before his squad watched their other Pool 3 opponents, Australia and Argentina, do battle at Stradey Park. "We have simply picked players to do a particular job in those positions." That includes the preference of Ritchie Collins at open-side flanker, where he can build on that outstanding performance of a month ago.

Waters: wins first cap

As they did against the French, Wales have set out their stall in the set-pieces, where they must surely hope to dominate smaller and lighter opponents. The Samoans, despite the late addition to their squad of Mata'afa Keenan, do not offer comparable physique, though they do have considerable experience of quality rugby with a number of New Zealand-based players in their side.

Keenan, Fatialofa, the captain, Lam and Bunce have all appeared in Auckland's ranks. Timo Tagaloa has won golden opinions by his play on the wing for Wellington, and Stepheo Bachop, whose brother, Graeme, played so well for New Zealand on Thursday, has appeared with distinction for Canterbury.

Many fingers will be crossed on Wales's behalf. Not until Thursday did they come through a training session unscathed. At various times Ieuan Evans, the captain, Mark Ring and Kevin Moseley of tomorrow's team have appeared doubtful through injury. Ring, the playmaker, has been obliged to make a remarkably quick recovery from a knee operation, and the Samoans will be quick to test his durability. But if he can find some freedom, then his midfield will bring the best out of the Samoan defence.

Conversely, defeat, in a year which has offered only a draw with Ireland for comfort, cannot be contemplated by Wales. Their minimum objective is a place in the quarter-finals which, under the existing regulations, would ensure seeding to the 1995 tournament. If they cannot defeat the Samoans they are as likely to struggle against Argentina, who yesterday made the Australians work hard for victory.

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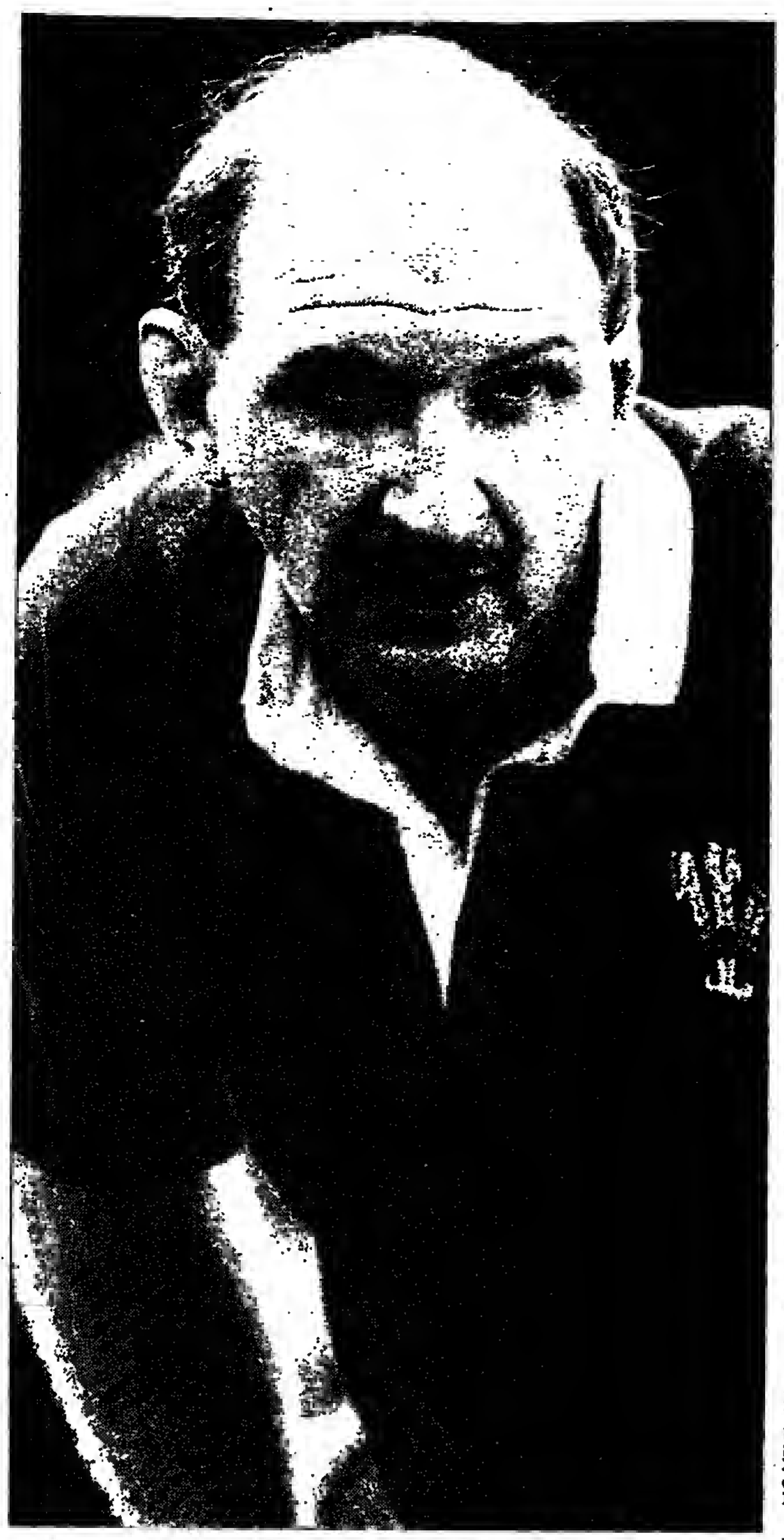

May: recalled to the second row, his experience could be crucial to Welsh hopes

Eager Scots to adopt a positive approach

By Alan Lorimer

SCOTLAND begin their World Cup programme today at Murrayfield, where they face Japan in the opening match of Pool 2.

David Sole, the Scotland captain, summed up the feeling of readiness within the squad yesterday when he said: "We've been together for a week, and after watching the opening match between England and New Zealand on television the players can't wait to get into the tournament."

Ian McGeechan, the Scotland coach, talked at length about the strict interpretations of law 18, which relates to tackling and lying with, on or near the ball, and its implications for Scotland's approach to the game.

"We have got to think to make the most out of the law, but the onus is on players to make positive decisions and to react carefully in contact situations," he said. "Overall, the emphasis on players to stay on their feet favours rugby. Importantly, it speeds up the game and outlaws those who slow things down by killing the ball on the ground."

McGeechan said the England v New Zealand match emphasised the need for flexibility. "You need senior players to be assessing strategy throughout the game. We have the kind of players who can make critical decisions on their feet," he said.

It was that kind of collective leadership which was lacking in the Scotland side when Japan achieved their deserved 28-24 victory over the Scots two years ago in Tokyo. Japan showed then that by varying their lineout tactics to counter Scotland's height, and by moving the ball wide at speed, they could be more than capable in attack.

Shiggy Konno, the Japan manager, emphasised that point earlier this week when he said that Japan's play was all about attack. "If we can prevent our opponents from scoring more than 25 points we always feel we have a chance to win," he said.

Certainly, Japan have no shortage of class backs. Seiji Hirao, their centre and captain, is likely to be the most influential player in their back line but, as the Scots will recall, Eiji Kutsuki, the outside centre, and Yoshito Yoshida, the left wing, both of whom are experienced players, caused them problems in 1989.

A repeat of that defeat is unlikely, and the Scots, who are likely to be the more ambitious team, can reflect on their 33-18 win in 1986, when Japan last played at Murrayfield.

Irish left in dark over Zimbabwe

From Bryan Stiles in Dublin

THE runner with the forked stick carrying the message from Africa has lost his way and seemingly cannot find Ireland. The Irish team management has twice asked that video recordings of Zimbabwe – Ireland's first opponents in the World Cup – be sent to their training camp. Nothing has arrived.

The first parcel went missing after being posted a fortnight ago, so a second set of tapes was ordered to be sent by special courier. That should have arrived three days ago, but the Irish are left to fret.

The recordings show how Zimbabwe lost this summer to Namibia, with whom Ireland also tangled with worrying consequences on their summer tour.

The Irish share the general concern about the strict attention being paid by referees to the killing of the ball on the ground, but as it is usually teams under pressure which give away the penalties, they feel it will be the Zimbabweans who will be the ones to suffer tomorrow at Lansdowne Road.

The heavier and more technically proficient Irish pack should win more possession from the lineouts, rucks and mauls to enable their three free-scoring backs, Simon Geoghegan, Keith Crossan and Jim Staples, to run in a hatful of tries.

A crowd of 35,000 is predicted, and there will not be many Zimbabwean supporters in evidence, so the visitors are likely to feel the pressure. Zimbabwe will be missing Nyala, the flanker, who has been laid low by viral influenza. It has meant reshuffling their meagre resources in the pack.

When the Zimbabwe team was announced yesterday, Brian Murphy, their coach, gave an honest appraisal of his team's attitude going into the match. "We are approaching the game with caution," he said. "We are expected to lose, but we are not going in just to avoid having a big score against us. We are going in to play decent rugby."

Zimbabwe failed to win one of their 1987 World Cup matches, and Murphy feels the team has slipped further back since then, with players retiring and the lack of stars and competition. If that is an accurate assessment, then Ireland should romp home.

WORLD CUP DIARY

Teams keen to impress

ITALY and the United States meet for the first time today in Pool 1 at Cross Green, Otley, and will try to show the Yorkshire crowd they are not in the tournament as make-weights.

In Bayonne tonight, the winner of the Fiji-Canada match will take pole position for a place in the quarter-finals.

ITALY: L Troiani; P Vaccari, F Gaetaniello, S Barba, Marcello Cuttitta; D Dominguez, I Francescato; Massimo Cuttitta, G Pivetta, F Properzi Curti, C Checchinato, G Croci, R Favaro, R Saetti, G Zanon (capt).

UNITED STATES: R Nelson; G Hein, M Williams, K Higgins, E Whitaker; M de Jong, B Daily; C Lippert, A Flay, F Paoli, B Vizard (capt), W Leversee, K Swords, R Farley, A Ridnell.

CANADA: S Stewart; P Palmer, C Stewart, J Lecky, S Gray; G Rees, C Tynan; E Evans, D Speirs, D Jackart, A Charron, J Robertsen, N Hadley, G MacKinnon, G Ennis (capt).

FIJI: S Koroduadua; F Seru, S Aria, N Nadruku, T Lovo; W Serevi, P Tabulutu; M Taga (capt), S Naiviliwasa, L Kato, I Savai, S Domoni Jr, I Tawake.

Stirring lines out

Those who watched England's changing-room preparations against New Zealand on television may have been deeply impressed by the excerpts from *Henry V* which were heard. The men in white (and blue and red stripes) did not, however, hear such stirring exhortations on Thursday, though they have had, since the excerpts were taken by ITV from motivational tapes used by the team.

TODAY'S TEAMS IN CARDIFF

Wales			W Samoa	
A Clement (Swansea)	15	Full back	A Aiolupo (Moata'a)	15
I C Evans* (Llanelli)	14	Right wing	B Lima (Wellington)	14
I S Gibbs (Neath)	13	Right centre	T Vaega (Tiradale)	13
M R Hall (Cardiff)	12	Left centre	F Bunce (Helensville)	12
A Emyr (Cardiff)	11	Left wing	T Tagaloa (Wellington)	11
M G Ring (Cardiff)	10	Stand-off	S J Bachop (Canterbury)	10
R N Jones (Swansea)	9	Scrum half	M M Vaea (Marist St Joseph)	9
M Griffiths (Cardiff)	1	Prop	P Fatialofa* (Auckland)	1
K Waters (Newbridge)	2	Hooker	S Toomalatai (Wellington)	2
L Delaney (Llanelli)	3	Prop	T Sio (Northern Suburbs)	3
E W Lewis (Llanelli)	6	Flanker	S Vaifale (Hawkes Bay)	6
P S May (Llanelli)	4	Lock	M S Birtwhistle (Wellington)	4
K Moseley (Newport)	5	Lock	M G Keenan (Auckland)	5
R G Collins (Cardiff)	7	Flanker	A Perelini (Auckland)	7
P T Davies (Llanelli)	8	No. 8	P R Lam (Auckland)	8

*Captain

Referee: P Robin (France)

REPLACEMENTS: 16 O W Evans (Cardiff), 17 A Booth (Cardiff), 18 M Rayer (Cardiff), 19 G R Jenkins (Pontypool), 20 H Williams-Jones (South Wales Police), 21 M S Morris (Neath).

REPLACEMENTS: 16 T Nu'uali'itia (Counties), 17 P O Seuma (Moata'a), 18 T Fasmasino (Vaimoso), 19 J Paramore (Counties), 20 E Ioane (Auckland), 21 V Alalatoa (Sydney).

TODAY'S TEAMS IN EDINBURGH

Scotland			Japan	
A G Hastings (Watsonians)	15	Full back	T Hosokawa (NEC)	15
A G Stanger (Hawick)	14	Right wing	T Masuho (Waseda University)	14
S Hastings (Watsonians)	13	Right centre	E Kutsuki (Toyota)	13
S R P Lineen (Boroughmuir)	12	Left centre	S Hirao* (Kobe Steel)	12
I Tukalo (Selkirk)	11	Left wing	Y Yoshida (Meiji University)	11
C M Chalmers (Melrose)	10	Stand off	K Matsuo (World Co RC)	10
G Armstrong (Jed-Forest)	9	Scrum half	W Murata (Toshiba)	9
D M B Sole* (Edinburgh Acad)	1	Prop	O Ohta (NEC)	1
J Allan (Edinburgh Acad)	2	Hooker	M Kunda (Toshiba)	2
A P Burnell (London Scottish)	3	Prop	M Takura (Mitsubishi Kyoto)	3
J Jeffrey (Kelso)	6	Flanker	H Kajihara (Toshiba Fuchu)	6
C A Gray (Nottingham)	4	Lock	T Hayashi (Kobe Steel)	4
G W Weir (Melrose)	5	Lock	E Tifaga (Kyushu Nikonikodo)	5
F Calder (Stewart's Melville FP)	7	Flanker	S Nakashima (NEC)	7
D B White (London Scottish)	8	No 8	S Latu (Sanyo Electric)	8

*Captain

Referee: E Morrison (England)

REPLACEMENTS: 16 P W Dods (Gala), 17 D S Wyllie (Stewart's Melville FP), 18 G H Oliver (Hawick), 19 G R Marshall (Selkirk), 20 D F Milne (Heriot's FP), 21 K S Milne (Heriot's FP).

REPLACEMENTS: 16 T Fujita (IBM), 17 K Takahashi (Toyota), 18 A Oyagi (Kobe Steel), 19 M Horikoshi (Waseda University), 20 Y Motoki (Meiji University), 21 T Maeda (NTT).

TODAY'S TEAMS IN DUBLIN

Ireland			Zimbabwe	
J E Staples (London Irish)	15	Full back	B Currin* (Old Hararians)	15
S P Geoghegan (London Irish)	14	Right wing	C Brown (Harare Sports)	14
V J Cunningham (St Mary's College)	13	Right centre	R Tsimba (Old Hararians)	13
D M Curtis (London Irish)	12	Left centre	M Letcher (Karoi)	12
K D Crossan (Instonians)	11	Left wing	D Walters (Karoi)	11
R P Kayes (Constitution)	10	Stand-off	R Kuhn (Old Hararians)	10
R Saunders (London Irish)	9	Scrum half	A Ferreira (Old Georgians)	9
N J Popplewell (Greystones)	1	Prop	R Hunter (Old Miltonians)	1
S J Smith (Ballymena)	2	Hooker	B Beattie (Old Miltonians)	2
D C Fitzgerald (DLSP)	3	Prop	A Garvey (Old Miltonians)	3
P M Matthews* (Wanderers)	6	Flanker	M Martin (Harare Sports)	6
D G Lenihan (Constitution)	4	Lock	C Botha (Old Hararians)	4
N P Francis (Blackrock College)	5	Lock	R Demblon (Old Hararians)	5
G F Hamilton (Ballymena)	7	Flanker	B Dawson (Old Miltonians)	7
B F Robinson (Ballymena)	8	No. 8	B Catterall (Old Hararians)	8

*Captain

Referee: K Lawrence (New Zealand)

REPLACEMENTS: 16 K J Murphy (Constitution), 17 O J Clarke (Dolphin), 18 L F P Aherne (Lansdowne), 19 N P Mannion (Lansdowne), 20 G F Halpin (London Irish), 21 T J Kingston (Dolphin).

REPLACEMENTS: 16 E MacMillan (Old Hararians), 17 I Noble (Old Miltonians), 18 W Schultz (Karoi), 19 C Roberts (Harare Sports), 20 A Nicholls (Old Hararians), 21 H Mguruve (Old Georgians).

WORLD CUP PROGRAMME

Pool 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
N Zealand	1	1	0	0	18	12	3
England	1	0	0	1	12	18	1
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
US	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

RESULTS: England 12, New Zealand 18.

FIXTURES: Today: Italy v United States (at Otley, 1pm). Oct 8: New Zealand v United States (Gloucester, 1pm); England v Italy (Twickenham, 3pm). Oct 11: England v United States (Twickenham, 3pm). Oct 13: New Zealand v Italy (Leicester, 3pm).

Pool 2

FIXTURES: Today: Scotland v Japan (at Murrayfield, 3pm). Tomorrow: Ireland v Zimbabwe (at Dublin, 3pm). Oct 9: Ireland v Japan (Dublin, 3pm); Scotland v Zimbabwe (Murrayfield, 3pm). Oct 12: Scotland v Ireland (Murrayfield, 1.30pm). Oct 14: Zimbabwe v Japan (Belfast, 3pm).

Pool 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Australia	1	1	0	0	32	19	3
Argentina	1	0	0	1	19	32	1
Wales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W Samoa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

RESULTS: Australia 32, Argentina 19.

FIXTURES: Tomorrow: Wales v Western Samoa (at Cardiff, 1pm). Oct 9: Australia v Western Samoa (Pontypool, 1pm); Wales v Argentina (Cardiff, 8pm). Oct 12: Wales v Australia (Cardiff, 3.15pm). Oct 13: Argentina v Western Samoa (Pontypridd, 1pm).

Pool 4

FIXTURES: Yesterday: France v Romania. Today: Fiji v Canada (at Bayonne, 8pm). Oct 8: France v Fiji (Grenoble, 8pm). Oct 9: Canada v Romania (Toulouse, 5pm). Oct 12: Fiji v Romania (Brive, 7pm). Oct 13: France v Canada (Agen, 4.45pm).

☐ Teams in pool matches are awarded three points for a win, two for a draw and, if beaten, one for fulfilling the fixture.

QUARTER-FINALS: Oct 19: Pool 2 winners v Pool 3 runners-up (Murrayfield, 1pm); Pool 4 winners v Pool 1 runners-up (Paris, 3pm). Oct 20: Pool 3 winners v Pool 2 runners up (Dublin, 1pm); Pool 1 winners v Pool 4 runners-up (Lille, 4pm).

SEMI-FINALS: Oct 26: Murrayfield winners v Paris winners (Murrayfield, 2.30pm) Oct 27: Dublin winners v Lille winners (Dublin, 2.30pm).

THIRD PLACE PLAY-OFF: Oct 30: Cardiff, 2.30pm.

FINAL: Nov 2: Twickenham, 2.30pm.

TELEVISION: Today: ITV 13.10-16.45 and Screensport 12.45-16.40: Italy v United States (from Otley), and Scotland v Japan (from Murrayfield). ITV 23.40-00.35 (highlights) and Screensport 19.45-21.30: Fiji v Canada (from Bayonne). Other highlights: Screensport 21.30-22.30. Tomorrow: ITV 12.40-14.45 and 17.00-18.00 and Screensport 12.45-16.40: Wales v Western Samoa, Ireland v Zimbabwe. Other highlights: ITV 23.35-00.15 and Screensport 21.30-22.30.

Becker back

Boris Becker plans to play in the ATP tennis tournament in Toyko next week after a five-week break because of injury. The three-times Wimbledon champion has been struggling with back problems as well as a thigh strain. Becker also plans to play tournaments in Stockholm and Paris before next month's world championship in Frankfurt.

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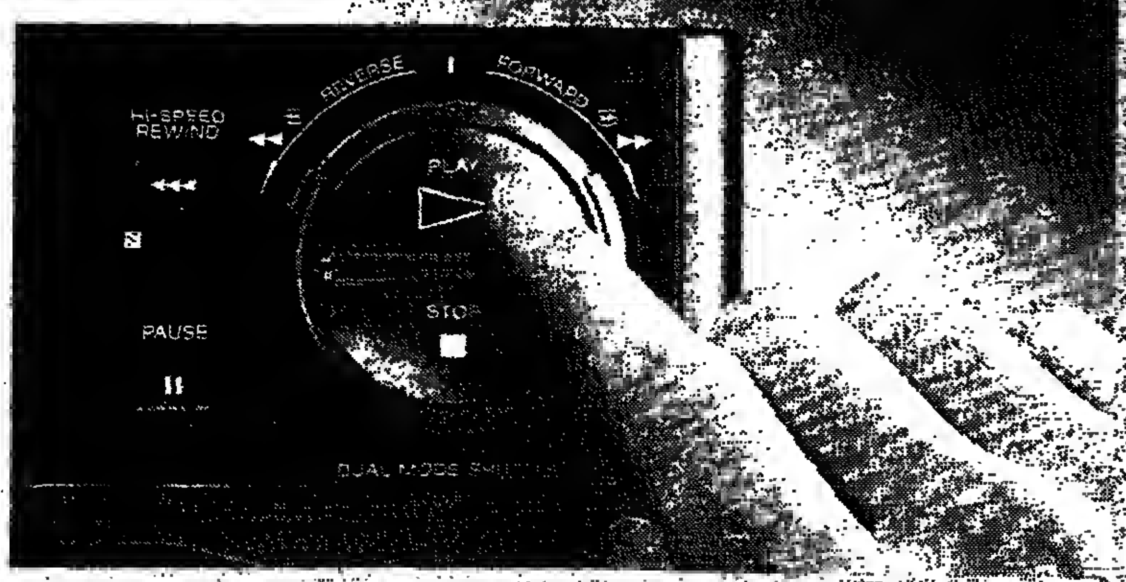

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Jones signs from Crewe and lines up tomorrow at Old Trafford

Liverpool throw teenager straight back into fray

By CLIVE WHITE

THE famous Anfield apprenticeship would seem to be a thing of the past. Gone are the days when a new signing, no matter his reputation, would sit in the reserves for a season or two until deemed ready to serve Liverpool to the best of his ability.

So dire is the injury situation at Anfield these days that Mark Jones, aged 19, a raw right back signed from Crewe Alexandra yesterday, will step straight into the first televised game of the season against Manchester United, the league leaders, at Old Trafford tomorrow.

"I still haven't stopped shaking yet from the shock of signing for Liverpool," Jones said. "It's just a dream. I think I'll be very nervous. I've only ever been to Old Trafford once and I've never played there — but I think it will be very exciting too."

"I've supported them all my life and when I wasn't playing I always used to go to matches and stand there on the Kop. I made my debut for Crewe when I was just 16 and still at school — in this profession you just have to go out there and do the busines when called upon."

Jones, a former England youth defender, has cost Liverpool a down payment of £300,000 which will be doubled if he makes the grade. He will not want for opportunity with Mark Wright, Glen Hysen and Barry Venison, to name but three Liverpool players, still unavailable because of injury. In all, Liverpool have 11 of their 24 senior players injured.

Jones, a life-long Liverpool supporter, will be renewing a family association with the club. His grandfather, Bill Jones, made 225 appearances for the club before becoming a scout for them. Jones junior is hoping that his grandfather can attend the game.

"Given our present situation we felt that we needed a right-sided player," Graeme Souness, the Liverpool manager, said. "I have watched him in action myself and he's now got a great opportunity, given the circumstances, to come into the team and make a name for himself."

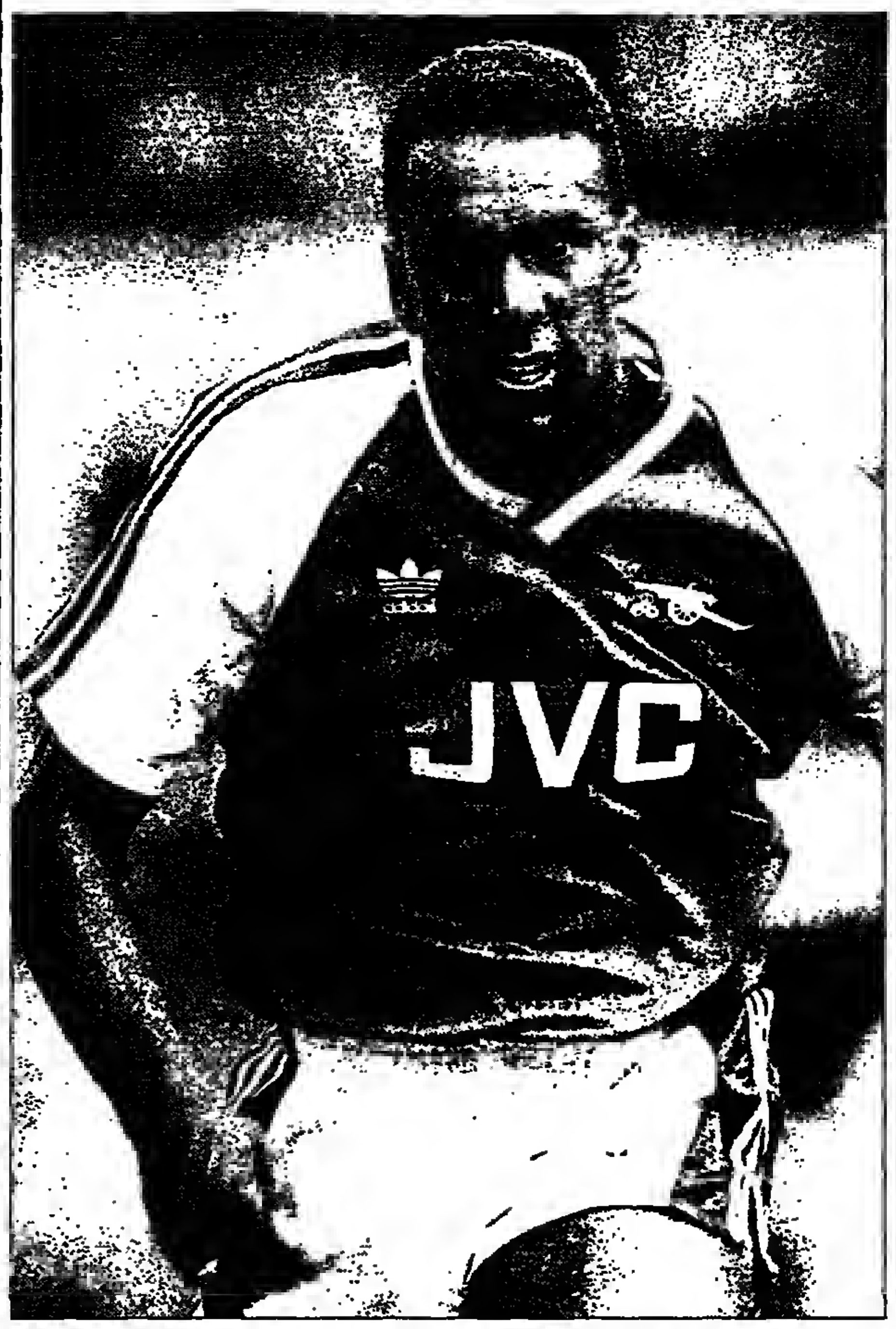
Liverpool have had enough problems contending with United over the years even when at their strongest. Without John Barnes and Ronnie Whelan, both of whom have recently undergone further surgery, they face the prospect of an embarrassingly comprehensive defeat before a national audience.

Their only victory in their last six games was against Kuusysi Lahti in the home leg of their Uefa Cup tie, a defeat which the Finnish part-timers reversed on Wednesday.

United, as ever, are spoilt for choice with Ryan Giggs, Denis Irwin, Clayton Blackmore and Mal Donaghy are all available again after being surplus to requirements in midweek when the Uefa rule on four foreigners only meant that they were the odd men out for the Cup Winners' Cup tie against Athinaikos at Old Trafford.

United lost Gary Pallister in that match with a groin injury which will keep him out of England's European championship tie against Turkey on Wednesday week, but with good timing for club and country Paul Parker returns after missing six matches with a hamstring strain to take over in the centre of defence alongside Steve Bruce.

Graham Taylor, the England manager, will be there to check on the fitness of Parker and possibly two or three other United players which could include Bryan Robson, the captain, who has made a startling return to his best form at a time when everyone assumed that his England career was over.



Career revived: Rocastle has benefited from his move to central midfield

Michel bears brunt of loss

Madrid — Spain, already out of European championship finals in Sweden next year, dropped the experienced midfield player, Michel, yesterday for their group one qualifying match at home to France on October 12.

Michel is the only casualty from the team which suffered a surprise 2-0 defeat in Iceland last month, which ended their qualification hopes.

Spain's coach, Vicente Miera, under strong pressure to drop the older members of the squad, but the Real Madrid forward, Emilio Butragueño, and the Barcelona goalkeeper, Andoni Zubizarreta, the most capped players with 63 appearances each, both retain their places.

Michel, aged 28, has been in the Spanish side since 1985 and has won 58 caps but the Real Madrid player's inconsistent performances in recent internationals have led to growing calls for his replacement. Michel's place is taken by Ricardo Bango, the Real Madrid midfield player *(Reuter)*.

SPAIN SQUAD: A Zubizarreta, F Buyo, A Ferrer, A Rodriguez, M Sanchís, F Hierro, R Solozábal, A Cortijo, E Sacristan, R Bango, J Vizcaino, R M Vázquez, M Sánchez, E Butragueño, J Goikoetxea, A Carvera.

☐ Lee Sharpe, the Manchester United winger, is to have an operation in London on Monday to relieve a tendon in his groin. It is hoped he will be back in training in three weeks.

☐ Milan — Inter Milan have joined AC Milan and Juventus on the side of Italian clubs seeking consolation in the league for their disappointments in the European cups.

AC Milan were suspended for one year from the European competitions after they refused to complete a European Cup semi-final against Marseilles.

Juventus missed European qualification for the first time in their history, while, on Wednesday, Inter were eliminated by Boavista, of Portugal, in the first round of the Uefa Cup, in which the Italian team was the defending champion.

In addition to an estimated loss of several million pounds in gate receipts and television rights, Inter now faces a storm of criticism for their new tactics and the unimpressive performances of the German players, Lothar Matthäus and Jürgen Klinsmann.

Corrado Orrico, the newly-hired coach, took the blame upon himself for the elimination from the Uefa Cup. "We paid for my experiements in the first leg game in Portugal (when Inter lost 1-2). Now we must concentrate on the league title," he said.

Although trailing the league leader, Juventus, by a point, Inter have had mixed results and were beaten by the champions, Sampdoria, 4-0 in the fourth round. *(AP)*

Focus on Bright for move

CHELSEA will stay on the trail of the Crystal Palace forward, Mark Bright, despite twice being rebuffed in attempts to sign him.

Ian Porterfield, the Chelsea manager, said yesterday: "We seem to be linked with almost everybody, but we have, in fact, made two enquiries for Bright.

"They were at around the same time that Palace sold Ian Wright to Arsenal, and we were told on both occasions that Bright was not available.

"That might change in the future — we don't know. We've inquired about various players, and for us to be championship contenders I know I have got to strengthen the squad."

Porterfield refused to confirm that he is ready to move for David James, Watford's England Under-21 goalkeeper.

MATCH-BY-MATCH GUIDE TO THE FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal v Chelsea
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Aston Villa v Luton
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Luton v Tottenham
... are slowly on the mend, ...y defer selection until ...ha (foot) and Newell (calf) ...d fitness tests. Ratcliffe, ...nd Keown are back in ...ion. Tottenham, who boast an ...cord second to none, ...horstvedt in goal because ...s still suffering from .... They should be unchanged.

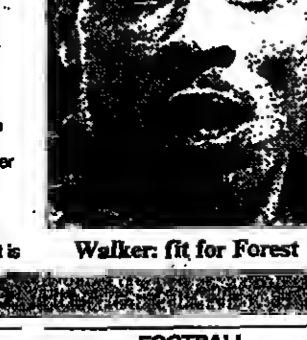
Leeds v Sheffield U
As if the Blades do not have enough problems, they have been further blunted for this testing Yorkshire derby by the loss of Deane (glandular fever) and Tracey (shoulder), as well as which Hodges is doubtful. Medonca, Kite and either Whitehouse or Hartfield will deputise. Leeds, too, could be without both first choice central defenders if Whyte proves to be unfit. Wetherall, a chemistry student, is on standby. Strachan and McAllister must also pass tests.

Notts Co v Man City
Coton's return in goal will be appreciated by City, whose fortunes have flagged after such a spirited start. But they remain seriously hampered by injury, with Curle, Quinn, Hill and Hendry all doubtful. Mauge, a midfield player on loan from Bury, stands by while Reid may return after missing three games. County, who defeated City in an FA Cup tie at Meadow Lane last season, are confident that the Short brothers, Craig and Chris, will come back after injury.

Oldham v Southampton
McDonald, the new signing from Everton, makes his debut for Oldham, who will be without Ritchie because of a calf injury sustained in midweek. Wood, the Millwall central defender, is, like Dowie before him, thinking long and hard about a £400,000 move to Southampton. Le Tissier's place is under threat from Hurlock, another new signing.

QPR v Nottm Forest
Walker starts his first game for Forest since the opening day, but it is questionable whether it is in time for him to resume his England career against Turkey a week on Wednesday. Wooo, who scored against West Ham last week, is dropped. Crosby and Gemmill have recovered from ankle injuries. Rangers are without McDonald, who has ankle trouble, but Tillson returns after missing three matches with a similar problem while Walsh faces a check on his ankle.

Sheffield W v C Palace
The bad news still outweighs the good news as far as Wednesday's injury front is concerned, but the possible return of Hirst, their England forward, after missing seven matches ought to count heavily. With the midfield still much depleted by injuries, Wood, formerly of Chelsea, is poised to start his first game in two years; Sheridan, McKenzie, Harkes and McCall are all injured. Palace must face up to life without Salako, Osborn and Shaw face tests.



Walker: fit for Forest

West Ham v Coventry
With Ogrizovic struggling to recover from a sprained ankle, Coventry have placed Baker, the former Barnsley goalkeeper, on standby for his debut. Robson returns after influenza to face his former club. Foster is suspended for West Ham, so Breacker reverts to centre back, where he has played every game but one this season due to injuries to the club's recognised central defenders.

Wimbledon v Norwich
Having arrested their recent slump of five games without a win with a morale-boosting victory over Sheffield Wednesday in midweek, Wimbledon should be further uplifted to hear that Fashanu is fit to resume after a thigh strain. Elkins also returns. Fleck's suspension forces Norwich — who have been showing improved form in recent weeks — to recall Beckford, their £925,000 signing from Port Vale, who has yet to score after seven appearances.

Tomorrow
Man Utd v Liverpool
After an absence of six matches, Parker returns in the nick of time for England as well as United to replace Pallister, whose groin strain will almost certainly keep him out of the European championship tie against Turkey. Giggs, Irwin, Blackmore and Donaghy, the "foreigners", return after missing the Cup Winners' Cup tie in midweek. Burrows, Houghton and Tanner have all reported fit for Liverpool.

Rocastle presses claims for international recall

CLIVE WHITE

ONE would not have to stretch the imagination half as far as a Rocky film script to foresee a comeback next week of the kind of which Sylvester Stallone himself would have approved. In England's present state of health in midfield, Graham Taylor could do a lot worse than revive the international career of David Rocastle.

It is one comeback that, should it receive the England manager's blessing, could not be viewed as a retrograde step. Arsenal have only just relaunched "Rocky's" club career at the ripe old age of 24, but the player's form has been such a revelation that Taylor would be foolish not to consider him in a squad, to be announced on Monday, for the European championship tie against Turkey at Wembley a week on Wednesday.

Taylor would be welcoming back into the England fold a new Rocastle — Rocky 2 — after a positional change which has rejuvenated the form of a player whose career only a few months ago seemed to be sliding towards oblivion at club level, never mind international level.

Rocastle made all his 11 England appearances under Bobby Robson and virtually every one of those under George Graham for Arsenal, until as recently as last month, on the wide right of midfield. Yet such is the impact he has made in his club's last six games as a central midfield player that one is tempted to predict a new future for him in that role.

He has taken to it like the proverbial duck to water, which is not altogether surprising since he spent his formative years and even his early Highbury days in precisely that position, though few remember it.

It was not until Graham's arrival at Highbury five years ago that he ever played on the wing, which he did in order to be accommodated in a side which then had Davis and Steve Williams playing in the centre. For the same reason he now reverts to the middle and though Graham is pleased that Rocastle has rediscovered a niche in the Arsenal side, he is reserving judgment, as is Rocastle, on whether he has yet made the position his own.

"The way it is in football these days you've got to have more than one position under your belt," Rocastle said. "I prefer the centre because you're more involved, even if you don't get to show your skill factor as much as you do on the wings.

"The way the manager wants me to play, I have become a two-touch player. With the front players we've got now, the midfield doesn't have to do anything too spectacular, just get the ball to them quickly. I can appreciate that because as a wide player I often felt that I didn't get the ball early enough."

Irrespective of whether or not Rocastle eventually makes it back in the international scene, he has shown considerable resilience to arrive this far down the recovery road after the anguish he suffered during a period when his career stagnated for some 17 months because of a bizarre mixture of injury and loss of form.

The curtain went up on the Rocky Horror Show as far back as November 1989, when he swallowed his tongue in a match at The Den and might have choked to death had it not been for the presence of mind of Gary Lewin, the club's physiotherapist.

Failing form, which some put down to being asked to do too much in his right wing role, followed, and matters deteriorated further when he had to undergo a cartilage operation two months before the World Cup finals. It gave him little time in which to prove his fitness to Robson, and his omission was a great blow, having appeared in five of England's six qualifying ties.

He started last season back in the Arsenal team but poor form relegated him to the reserves for two months. He was recalled on Boxing Day against Derby County and broke a toe in the first minute. Another three months on the sidelines. Then in his second game back when Derby were again the opponents, he suffered a knee injury which required another cartilage operation.

Provided he holds together in one piece, the opportunity is there for him to make up for disappointments at country as well as club level. It is ironic that at a time when England's wide players seem to be plagued by injury, Rocastle is no longer deployed as such. Not that central midfield is a picture of health and stability either. With Paul Gascoigne's future in ever-increasing jeopardy and Bryan Robson by no means certain of resuming his own international career, the situation is Taylor-made for a Rocky-style comeback.

World Cup final is prize

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THE QUESTIONS

1. Name the venue of the 1987 Rugby World Cup final?
2. Which two countries qualified for the 1991 RWC from the Asian Zone qualifying competition?
3. Which player was rejected by New Zealand's selectors and is now in the Australian squad?
4. Who is England's leading try-scorer?
5. Which seven-letter word is missing from the Famous Grouse advertising slogan ". . . in an age of change"?

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IN BRIEF

Worry on Watson

THE medical team at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, treating the boxer, Michael Watson, yesterday expressed "considerable worry" that the progress he had been making had slowed down. Watson has been on a life-support machine since his bout with Chris Eubank two weeks ago.

☐ Clinton McKenzie, the former British welterweight champion, has applied for a licence to promote boxing.

ATHLETICS: The Scottish national championships are to return to Meadowbank Stadium after a four-year absence. Edinburgh council will underwrite the event.

RUGBY UNION: Wayne Shelford, overlooked by New Zealand for their World Cup campaign, plays his first game of the season for Northampton at Bedford today.

☐ Frans Ludeke, a South African signed by Waterloo, escaped deportation and is to receive a Department of Employment work permit enabling him to play for the club this season.

TENNIS: Steffi Graf has had treatment for a strained wrist and will be playing in the semi-finals of the women's tournament in Leipzig today.

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...AN CLUBS' CHAMPIONSHIP: Second ..., first leg: Fenerbahce (Tur) 73, ... 78; Kotkan Tyovaenpalloilijat (Fin) 84, ... 105, Pezoporikos (Cyprus) 88, ... 109, Maccabi Rishon (Isr) 89, Den... 75; Slask Wroclaw (Pol) 74, Aris ...; Mechelen (Bel) 88, Kingston 78; ... (Switz) 81, Kalev Tallinn (Estonia), ... Njardvik (Ice) 76, Cibona Zagreb 111; ...9, Olympique d'Antibes (Fr) 78, ...und, second leg: Partizan Belgrade ... Olajbanyasz (Hun) 89-72 (agg: 181-...

VOLLEYBALL

...S EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS: ... in Ravenna). Bulgaria bt Greece, 3-1, Albania, 3-0; Soviet Union bt Italy, 3-0. ...n Bari: Germany bt Netherlands, 3-2; ... bt Poland, 3-1. Czechoslovakia bt ..., 3-0

GOLF

SAN ANTONIO: Texas Open tournament: First round (US unless stated): 63: K Clearwater. 64: K Kimball. 65: M Calcavecchia. 66: W Grady (Aus), S Glider, S Britton, J Haas, C Dennis, S Simpson, S McCallister, J Pate, D Sutherland. 67: B Crenshaw, P Persons, S Jones, J Booros, K Schall, L Rinker, R Black, J Cook, F Allem (SA), M Hayes, J Daly.

CAIRNS, Australia: Women's world championship: First round (US unless stated): 69: O Ammaccapane. 72: C Dibnah (Aus), L Davies (GB), O Mochrie. 73: T Green, J Geddes, M Mallon. 75: J Dickinson. 76: J Inkster, A Okamoto (Japan). 78: O Richard. 79: C Koggl, A Fukushima (Japan). 81: E King, C Gerring, A Alcott.

AICHI, Japan: Tokai Classic tournament: Second round (Japan unless stated): 135: E Ise, 70, 65. 138: Y Takagi, 70, 69. 140: G Marsh (Aus), 69, 71. 142: H Makino, 72, 70; N Serizawa, 71, 71; H Nemiki, 71, 71; L Mize (US), 70, 72; T Ozaki, 69, 73; N Ozaki, 68, 74. 143: H Meshiai, 72, 71, S Fujiki, 70, 73. British score: 154: P Hoad, 80, 74

NORTH BERWICK: Edinburgh Crystal Scottish professional matchplay championship: Semi-finals: O F G Scott (Letham Grange) bt P Lawrie (King's Links), 3 and 2; I Young (unattached) bt A Oldcorn (Dalmahoy Hotel), 3 and 1. Final: Young bt Scott, 2 and 1

GRAFTON MORRISH TROPHY: First round: Royal West Norfolk, Brancaster: Stowe bt John Lyon, 2½-½; Robert Gordon's bt Loretto, 2½-½; Ipswich bt Gresham's, 2½-½; St Paul's bt The Leys, 3-0; KCS Wimbledon bt Bolton, 2½-½; Epsom bt Charterhouse, 2-1; Coventry bt St Lawrence, 2½-½, Wellington bt Bradfield, 2-1. Hunstanton: Malvern bt Harrow, 2-1; Clifton bt Radley, 3-0; Solihull bt Culford, 2½-½; King William's, Isle of Man, bt Kimbolton, 3-0; Lancing bt Hymers, 3-0; Eastbourne bt Ampleforth, 2-1; Eton bt Sevenoaks, 2-1, Winchester bt Nottingham, 2-1. Second round: Hunstanton: Warwick bt Hertford, 3-0; Chigwell bt Dollar, 3-0; Cheltenham bt Cranleigh, 2-1; Brentwood bt Alleyn's, 2-1, Robert Gordon's bt Stowe, 2-1; Ipswich bt St Paul's, 2-1; Epsom bt KCS Wimbledon, 2-1; Coventry bt Wellington, 2-1. Brancaster: Hampton bt King's Canterbury, 2-1; Repton bt Worksop, 2-1; Sedbergh bt St Peter's, York, 2-1; Rugby bt Glasgow Academy, 2-1; Clifton bt Malvern, 2-1; Solihull bt King William's, 3-0; Eastbourne bt Lancing, 3-0; Eton bt Winchester, 2-1. GOLF FOUNDATION SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP: Regional qualifying rounds: Whitchurch, Cardiff: 1, Monmouth, 236; 2, Pontypool, 245; 3, Mountain Ash, 258. Best individual score: R Price (Monmouth), 75. Hamilton: 1, Claremont HS, East Kilbride, 247 (won on countback); 2, Lenzie, 247; 3, Coltness HS, Wishaw, 248. Best individual: G Taylor, 77. Enfield: 1, Chancellor's, Brookmans Park, 246; 2, Dame Alice Owen's, Potters Bar, 247; 3, Harrow, 250. Best individual: S Wood (Chancellor's), 74. Brough: 1, King Edward VI, Louth, 245 (won on countback); 2, Scarborough Sixth Form Coll, 245; 3, Wilberforce Sixth Form Coll, Hull, 249. Best individual: J Brown (Wilberforce), 75.

FOOTBALL

UEFA CUP: First round, second leg: Oster Vaxjo (Swe) 1, Lyons (Fr) 1 (agg: 1-2); Spartak Moscow 3, Miskolc Pallosiet (Fin) 1 (agg: 5-1); Partizan Belgrade 2, Sporting Gijón (Sp) 0 (aet, 2-0 after 90min, agg: 2-2; Gijón win 3-2 on pens); AEK Athens (Gr) 2, Vllaznia Shkodra (Alb) 0 (agg: 3-0); Genoa (It) 3, Real Oviedo (Sp) 1 (agg: 3-2); Cannes (Fr) 1, Salgueiros (Por) 0 (aet, 1-0 after 90min, agg: 1-1; Cannes win 4-2 on pens).
PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Barnsley 4, Manchester United 2.
ENGLISH SCHOOLS BRITISH GAS TROPHY: First round: Cambridge and District 2, North Leicester 2; Stroud 1, Afan Nedd 2.

HOCKEY

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Australia 6, India 0 (in Perth).
CRYSTAL PALACE INDOOR LEAGUE: Old Kingstonians 2, Old Loughtonians 10; Hounslow 12, Bromley 3.

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Boston Bruins 5, New York Rangers 3; Montreal Canadiens 4, Toronto Maple Leafs 3; Detroit Red Wings 3, Chicago Black Hawks 3.

TENNIS

ATHENS: Men's tournament: First round: L Jonsson (Swe) bt J Sánchez (Sp), 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; M Koevermans (Neth) bt M Zoecke (Ger), 6-0, 6-2; J Arrese (Sp) bt G Markus (Arg), 6-2, 6-4; F Clavet (Sp) bt R Azar (Arg), 4-6, 6-4, 6-0.
LEIPZIG: Women's tournament: Second round: A Huber (Ger) bt I Demongeot (Fr), 7-6, 6-3; S Rittner (Ger) bt L Meshki (USSR), 6-2, 6-3. Quarter-finals: A Sánchez Vicario (Sp) bt Rittner, 6-1, 6-1, J Novotna (Cz) bt Huber, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.
MILAN: Women's tournament: Second round: G Fernandez (US) bt N Herreman (Fr), 4-6, 6-2, 6-2; M Maleeva (Bul) bt S Wasserman (Bel), 7-6, 6-4; M-J Fernandez (US) bt C Kohde-Kilsch (Ger), 6-3, 6-2; M Seles (Yug) bt L Garrone (It), 6-0, 6-1; M Navratilova (US) bt R McQuillan (Aus), 6-7, 6-0, 6-0. Quarter-finals: M Fernandez (US) bt M Maleeva (Bul), 5-7, 6-3, 6-4; C Martinez (Sp) bt G Fernandez (US), 6-1, 7-5.
SYDNEY: Australian indoor championships: Quarter-finals: B Gilbert (US) bt W Ferreira (SA), 6-1, 6-4; S Edberg (Swe) bt M Chang (US), 6-4, 7-5; P Sampras (US) bt D Wheaton (US), 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; G Ivanisevic (Yug) bt A Agassi (US), 7-6, 7-6.
TOULOUSE: Men's tournament: Second round: G Forget (Fr) bt T Champion (Fr), 6-1, 3-6, 6-3; A Volkov (USSR) bt C Pioline (Fr) 6-7, 7-6, 6-2; A Mansdorf (Isr) bt C Bergstrom (Swe), 6-4, 6-4.

TRAMPOLINING

BIRMINGHAM: World Cup: Women: Set and voluntary exercises: 1, A Holmes (GB), 64.6; 2, T Lushina (USSR), 64.2; 3, L Tsbrenko (USSR), 63.2; 4, S Challis (GB), 62.5.

EQUESTRIANISM

Injury counts Milton out of Wembley

By JENNY MACARTHUR

JOHN Whitaker has confirmed that Henderson Milton will miss the Horse of the Year show which starts at Wembley next Tuesday. The 14-year-old gelding whose wins, including two World Cups and one European title, have earned him more than £900,000 in prize-money, overreached himself while competing at San Marino last month. He is resting while the stitches in his off-fore heal.

"We hope to have him back for Stuttgart later this month," Whitaker said before leaving for the Copenhagen show.

Milton and Whitaker have won the coveted Henderson Masters — a winner-take-all competition — every year since it started in 1988. Their win last year earned them £29,000. Whitaker hopes to qualify for this year's Masters — one of three events at Wembley sponsored by Henderson — on either Henderson Grannusch or Henderson Gammon. The competition is on Friday night.

One of his rivals at the show will be his sister-in-law, Veronique Whitaker, who yesterday officially joined John and her husband, Michael, in the Henderson team. The national champion, she has ridden unofficially for the team since the sponsorship started in 1990.

HOCKEY

Billson banned for dissent

By SYDNEY FRISKIN

AFTER their 9-0 victory over Indian Gymkhana last week, Teddington can expect stronger opposition from Bromley tomorrow in the Pizza Express National League, which enters its second week.

Andy Billson, the scorer of three goals, will not be in Teddington's team as a penalty, imposed by the club for dissent, earned him a temporary suspension last week. However, he may come on later as a rolling substitute. McGuire, who scored four goals, will continue to lead the attack.

Bromley hope to match Teddington's fire-power with a three-man forward line consisting of Chambers, Cross and Henderson. Richards, their captain and full back, hopes to add to the goal he scored last weekend from a short corner in the 2-1 victory over Slough.

St Albans, at home to the first division champions, **Havant**, are still handicapped by injuries which means Day is missing from deep defence and Woods from the forward line. **Old Loughtonians** will probably be beaten at **Hounslow**, who have no injury problems.

Stourport and East Grinstead, both comfortable winners on their first outings, could be engaged in a game of fast exchanges. Lee is in fine scoring form for East Grinstead, as are Knott and Sherwani for Stourport.

Indian Gymkhana, who have lost several players, have a lot to do to restore their confidence when they visit **Trojans**. **Slough**, too, could atone for last week's defeat when they entertain **Bournville**. **Welton** could follow their 2-0 win over Lyons with victory at home against **Firebrands**. Welton have retained most of the players who made an impression last season, including Stamp, Sheardown, a useful winger, and Moat.

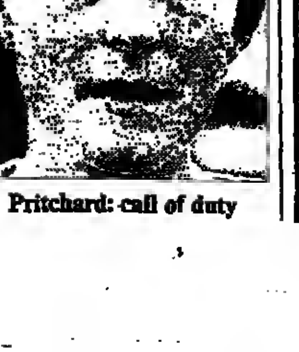
Pritchard puts the fun first

SOME athletes never forget their roots. Take Ceri Pritchard who, a week tomorrow, makes her world championship debut for Britain. But first duty calls. Finham Firsts require her services in the national fun run.

The fun run, now the largest in Britain and funded by the Sports Council, takes place in Hyde Park tomorrow. Pritchard has spent more of her life as a fun-runner than an élite athlete, having taken part in the first national fun run 13 years ago, and become a serious competitor only in the last four years.

A former Welsh international trampolinist and Warwickshire Schools squash player, her even greater potential as an athlete was identified by Jerry Murland, a Midlands coach. His vindication was her selection in Britain's team of four for the women's world road race championship, over 15 kilometres at Nieuwegien in the Netherlands.

Tomorrow, though, she will lead Finham Firsts, the team of her mother's invention. Her mother will toe the line, as will her father and three sisters.



Pritchard: call of duty

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Tottenham to change home date in Uefa Cup

Arsenal face a stern Cup test against Benfica

By Clive White

TOTTENHAM Hotspur have been forced to change the date of the second leg of their Cup Winners' Cup tie after yesterday's European secoond-round draws in Geneva paired them and Arsenal with Portuguese oppositioo on the same night io the same country. All five surviving British clubs were drawn away in the first leg of their respeetive competitions.

A potentially explosive situatioo, particularly in the home legs, was defused yesterday wheo Uefa announced that in the Cup Winners' Cup, the return leg io Loodon of the FC Porto v Tottenham tie would be moved forward or baek by ooe day.

Arsenal have been drawn to meet Benfica in the European Cup, and Uefa officials confirmed that oo changes were expected in that competition.

The police remain unhappy about two category A games being staged in London in the same week. The other optioo was that one club would be forced to play at home in the first leg, and the Football Association confirmed yesterday that it would have had to be Tottenham because the European Cup takes priority.

Aoy change, however, would have had to require the approval of the opposing clubs and the television companies. ITV holds the rights to screen either or both Tottenham and Arsenal games live.

At least Tottenham and Manchester United managed to avoid one another in the Cup Winners' Cup; United were drawn against Atletico Madrid. In the Uefa Cup, Liverpool and Celtie were also kept apart; Liverpool play Auxerre, with the away leg possibly at the Parc des Princes in Paris, and Celtie play Neuchâtel Xamax, their first Swiss opponents in 17 years.

In the Uefa Cup, the ties between Dynamo Moscow and Cannes and AEK Athens and Spartak Moscow will have their away legs played first.

The return legs of the Sigma Olomouc-Torpedo Moscow and Geooa-Dynamo Bucharest ties were also expected to be changed. Neuchatel Xamax were hoping to bring forward by one day their home tie against Celtic.

Benfica, who have twice beeo European champions, provide a tall hurdle for Arsenal to scale if they are to reach the money-spinning quarter-final round with its new round robin format which guarantees each side three home ties. It could have beeo worse, though. Arsenal could have drawn Sampdoria, the favourites, Red Star, the holders, or even Marseilles.

"Benfica will be a tough game for us," George Graham, the Arsenal manager, said. "They are ooe of the world's great clubs. Their league record was almost identical to ours last season. Like us they lost only one game in 38 and conceded 18 goals. But they scored more than us.

"I remember playing for Arsenal against them in the Stadium of Light, which is magnificent. It helps to play the first leg away, becanse yoo want to know what you oeed to do in the second leg, and it is better to be at home for that."

His sentiments were echoed by Peter Shreeves, the Tottenham manager, but not by Alex Ferguson, the United manager. Ferguson, who has more European experience than any other British manager, did not believe that there was any advantage in being drawn away first until the quarter-final and semi-final rounds.

"We have learned the importance of scoring an away goal in European ties. Getting one makes life more comfortable in the return, but failing to score away leaves you vulnerable at home. We are just pleased to have avoided Manchester United in the draw," Shreeves said. "That would not have done either club any favours."

Jean-Pierre Soisson, the mayor of Auxerre, who is also France's civil service minister, said of the club's appointment with Liverpool: "I am not going to take the risk of having the match played at Auxerre and Guy Roux [the manager] agrees. What's more, I've already telephoned for free use of the Parc des Princes.

"On a sporting level, it's fantastic to have drawn Liverpool. We'll send special coaches from Auxerre and we'll give the Parisians the sort of great match they've been waiting for."

Shreeves: pleased

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SECOND ROUND DRAWS

EUROPEAN CUP: Panathinaikos v IFK Gothenburg; Marseilles v Sparta Prague; PSV Eindhoven v Anderlecht, Honved Budapest v Sampdoria; Dynamo Kiev v Brondby (Den); Barcelona v Kaiserslautern; Benfica v Arsenal; Red Star Belgrade v Apollon Limassol.

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: FC Porto v Tottenham Hotspur; Atletico Madrid v Manchester United; Katowice v Club Brugas, AS Roma v Ilves (Fin); Sion (Switz) v Feyenoord; Ferencvaros v Werder Bremen; Norrkoping (Swe) v Monaco; Galatasaray (Tur) v Banik Ostrava (Cz).

UEFA CUP: B1903 Copenhagen v Bayern Munich; Dynamo Moscow v Cannes; FC Utrecht v Real Madrid; Ghent v Eintracht Frankfurt; Neuchâtel Xamax v Celtic; Osasuna (Sp) v VfB Stuttgart; Turin v Boavista (Por); Lyons v Trabzonspor (Tur); PAOK Salonika (Gr) v Swarovski Tirol (Austria); Auxerre v Liverpool; Sigma Olomouc (Cz) v Torpedo Moscow; Sporting Gijón v Steaua Bucharest; Genoa v Dinamo Bucharest; AEK Athens v Spartak Moscow; Hamburg v CSKA Sofia; Rot-Weiss Erfurt (Ger) v Ajax.

☐ *First leg matches to be played on October 23; second leg, November 6. First named teams at home in the first leg.*

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Yorath feels confident

WALES will take on the world champions, Germany, this month with their finest chance of qualifying for the final rouods of a major championship. That is the view of Terry Yorath, the Welsh manager, who believes he will be taking the strongest squad of players Wales has ever had to the European championship qualifying match in Nuremberg oo October 16.

A draw would leave Wales needing two points against Luxembourg in Cardiff to win the groop, whereas a win would guarantee them a trip to Swedeo before the final game. Ian Rush, Erie Young and Dave Phillips all return to the squad after injury.

WALES SQUAD (v Germany): N Southall (Everton), A Norman (Sunderland); O Phillips (Norwich), K Ratcliffe (Everton), E Young (C Palace), M Aizlewood (Bristol City), A Melville (Oxford), M Bowen (Norwich), P Bodin (C Palace), G Speed (Leeds), M Pembridge (Luton), A Horne (Southampton), M Hughes (Manchester United), G Hodges (Sheffield United), I Rush (Liverpool), D Saunders (Liverpool).

☐ Bristol Rovers, bottom of the second division, yesterday parted company with their manager, Martin Dobson. Dennis Rofe, the first team coach, will take over for the time being.

IAN STEWART

Out of my way: nothing within the power of Argentina can stop Kearns from scoring for Australia at Llanelli

Australia are made to battle

Australia 32
Argentina 19

By Gerald Davies

AUSTRALIA, joint favourites with New Zealand for the Rugby World Cup, were left hot, bothered and bewildered at Llanelli yesterday at the end of their opening match. They had a close shave when they least expected one. Argentina, hardly sophisticated but always enthusiastic, had sufficient energy, rugged resolve and occasional touches of speedy enterprise to ensure Australia were fretting for the final whistle.

Australia woo by three goals, two tries and two peoalties to a goal, try, a penalty and two drop goals. But the match served to confirm how tough and close Pool 3 will be, with Wales and Western Samoa starting tomorrow at Cardiff.

If much of the first half was slow and mundane yesterday, the second half pulsated with movement. If Australia held the class when it really mattered, Argeotina had the surprises.

Australia were a shadow of the confideot and sometimes flamboyant team which held sway against Wales and England during the summer. Bob Dwyer, the coach, believed they were rusty after a mooth of not playing. "But we can take some coosolation from scoring five tries when we didn't perform that well," Dwyer said.

But in concentrating on Australia, not enough attention had been paid to a motivated Argentina team. The Pumas, lagging behind 16-7 in the first half and deciding, with the noticeable weakness in Australia's scrum and indecision in controlling the ball at the ruck, were not merely canoo fodder.

Argentina, plugging away and simply surviving for 30 minutes in their own half, seemed to be a hopeless cause. But they challenged everything and with a combination of sheer persistence and snapping up such chances as Australia seemed complacent to squander, they nibbled away at the lead. To their delight aod Australia's embarrassment, they found themselves only four points adrift with the last quarter remaining.

To reach such a position, they fashioned a try with the back row linking up with a blind side wing, Teran, which was straight out of Australia's coaching manual.

With Eales, Coker and McCall, Australia were expected to dominate the lineout. They did oot. After the first driving scrums close to Argentina's line, Australia were expected to rule the powerhouse. Yet again they failed. Both areas are of serious concern to Dwyer. Even more so, I assume, for Wales.

RUGBY WORLD CUP

Farr-Jones, the Australian captain, envisaged problems for the Welsh in their match with Argentina on Wednesday. "They will have to be on their game to beat Argentina and it won't come easy," he said. "The Pumas were very strong indeed in the scrummage and they were aggressive in the lineout and tackled extremely well. I think Argentina must now be one of the favourites to go through with us from this group."

Campese, in his goose-stepping fashion, opened the scoring after Farr-Jones and Ofahengaue had paved the way on the right-hand side. With a thickish defence, the winger scored an unlikely try. But then he frequently does that kind of thing.

Lynagh kicked a couple of penalties, Argentina's only response at that stage being Arbizu's dropped goal. With Horan's try and Lynagh's conversion, Australia were well oo the way to realising the early foundation they wanted for a high score.

Teran's try before half-time seemed only an aberration such was Australia's control. But they were far from fluid. It was after Kearns's try two minutes after half-time that Argentina woke up to the possibilities of del Castillo's penalty and his conversioo of Teran's second try.

With Horan and Little clogging up the midfield, Campese was largely left to linger. But he is never a man likely to remain in limbo. Farr-Jones's midfield scissors opened up the space for his try, which Lynagh cooverted. Then, the winger, from a seemingly hopeless position which Eales had created by throwing a wayward pass, broke through the middle. When his way was finally barred, he gave Horan the space for the try. Lynagh's cooversion brought his total to 65 in 48 internationals. Arbizu dropped a second penalty for Argentina.

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LLANELLI (Referee): SCORERS: Australia: Tries: Campese (2), Horan (2), Kearns. Cons: Lynagh (3). Penalty goals: Lynagh (2). Argentina: Tries: Teran (2). Conversion: del Castillo. Penalty goal: del Castillo. Dropped goals: Arbizu (2).
AUSTRALIA: N Roebuck (Eastwood); O I Campese (Randwick), T J Horan (Southern Districts), J S Little (Southern Districts), R Egerton (Sydney Univ); M P Lynagh (Queensland Univ), N C Farr-Jones (capt, Sydney Univ); A J Daly (Eastern Suburbs; rep: D Nucifora, Queensland Univ), P N Kearns (Randwick), E J A McKenzie (Randwick), S P Poidevin (Randwick), T Coker (Wests), R J McCall (Brothers), V Ofahengaue (Manly), J A Eales (Brothers).
ARGENTINA: G del Castillo (Jockey, Rosario; M Teran (Tucuman), E Laborde (Pucara), H Garcia Simon (Pueyrredon), O Cuesta Silva (SIC); L Arbizu (Belgrano), G Camardon (Alumni); F Méndez (Mendoza), R Le Fort (Tucuman; rep: M Bosch, Olivos), O Cash (SIC), P Garrison (capt, Tucuman Univ), P Sporleder (Company), G Llanes (La Plata), J Santamarina (Tucuman), M Carreras (Olivos).
Referee: D Bishop (New Zealand).

Unsold tickets lead to dismay

By David Hands
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE Rugby Football Union (RFU) expressed the hope yesterday that the World Cup will not be subject to the ticket problems with which it was faced before England opened the tournament against New Zealand on Thursday.

Having drastically reduced supplies to its own clubs, the RFU found itself with an unexpected 1,700 match tickets available in the seven days before the game took place.

After what Dudley Wood, the RFU secretary, described as "Herculean efforts" by his ticket staff, most of the 1,700 were sold, though Twickenham fell short by some 300 of its 57,500 capacity; the most obvious empty spaces were those on the wings of the new North Stand, which are kept empty because of viewing obstructions.

"There was a sense of cold fury about," Wood said after returned tickets — which could not be advertised at large for fear they would be taken up by tonts — trickled in from such sources as unsold overseas travel packages, the under-subscribed media area and official allocations to overseas unions.

The first indication that tickets would still be available for one of the highlights of the tournament was seven days before the kick-off, but they were still coming back 36 hours before the opening match.

"I'm told this has always been a problem with events like the football World Cup, with tickets coming back from licensees and sponsors," Wood added. "Had we had more time, every available seat at Twickenham would have been filled, but now we are computerised, every ticket that is returned has to be reprinted.

"I am optimistic we will not have this problem when England play Italy and the United States, but we can't have it happening for the final."

Ray Williams, the tournament director, said part of the problem had been caused by a double booking of some overseas packages, a human error (to which the RFU would admit it is susceptible in light of the most recent Pilkington Cup draw, which had to be made twice). It was inevitable, he added, that there would be some late returns before any major international.

The RFU ticket office estimated that 1,200 tickets came back from the travel packages last week; 24 hours later it was told that the press area, extended to accommodate 850 journalists, would be occupied by some 600 and then there were further returns from overseas unions, which should have confirmed their numbers months in advance.

"After all the reservations that had to be made elsewhere, allocations to our clubs finished at about one-fifth of what the clubs asked for," Richard Anderson, the ticket officer, said. "That is about on a par with an England-Wales match played on a Saturday."

In Williams's view, however, the opening day of the second World Cup went well, even though the low clouds forced the cancellation of a parachute display by the RAF Falcons team.

Spear thrower chucks a ball into Lord's court

SIMON BARNES ON SATURDAY

We live in an age of coostant striving: measurable performances improve year after year. Even the mightiest record of them all, Bob Beamon's long-jump, has yielded to time. And yet there remains a certain curiosity in *The Guinness Book of Records*: one that is vexing the souls of Britain's extremely mighty javelin lads.

This is the record for throwing the cricket ball: a genuine test of strength and coordination. However, the record quoted in the *Guinness Book of Records* is unfathomably ancient: it dates from 1882, and attributes Robert Percival with a distance of 128.60 metres. This bears the appendage of "reputed".

An old record like that should be ripe for the plucking, and recently, Britain's javelin boys had a pop at it. Steve Backley managed 108m, and his coach, John Trower, was not far behind with 106m. But the best throw came from Mick Hill, who throws the spear rather in Backley's shadow. His best effort carried 126.52m.

Trower believes that *Guinness* should accept this as the genuine record, established as it was in the presence of athletics officials. He further suggests that throwing the cricket ball should become an annual event between top chuckers: why not, he says, hold it at the Lord's Test during the tea interval?

Too flat by half

The women have decided they will oot join the men's cross-couotry championship at Newark next year. They say the course is not tough enough. The women run a shorter distance than the men and therefore the course, demanding enough for the meo who cover nine miles, is too flat to ask serious questions over a lesser distance. My questioo is this: why oot go to Newark and run nine miles? These lesser distances are patronising, a thing of the past, not something that should be part of an age in which women run marathons, run over the Himalayas, sail round the world and climb Everest. Quite apart from anything else, women have greater stamina than men, as any physiologist will tell you.

Golden remedy

How do you bring the best out of an athlete? The answer is, lock him up io a cupboard. That was what Western Samoa did to their weight-lifter, Entila Faamoe. Faamoe arrived at the South Pacific Games weighing 65 kilos — which was unfortunate as he was entered for the 60 kilo class. So they locked him in a cupboard filled with constantly-replenished jars of boiling water. The Games were held in Lai, in Papua New Guinea, a fascinating country but not one over-rich in sporting luxuries. Faamore was also on a virtual starvation diet for two days, and team officials decided that if he still did not make the weight, they would shave him bald and see if that made the difference. Faamoe managed to get thin enough without needing to be Samsonised, and went on to win gold.

☐ *The row about the new stand for Arsenal Football Club rumbles on with increasing rancour. Naturally, Arsenal wanted nothing to do with the spectacular alternative plan devised by the people who produced the state-of-the-art stadium at Bari. The latest adjustment to their plans for "o huge tin shed" includes reflective glass, of all things, and "a spaghetti junction of overhead support". "It has all got political," said a spokesman for the Group for the Alternative Arsenal Stand. "And it is becoming increasingly apparent that Islington Council care more about Arsenal than they do about local residents." Let alone aesthetics.*

Ancient writes

What was the first book on sport ever printed? To come up with something like an answer, we must first exclude books of military instruction: things like archery, horse-riding and physical fitness. One possibility for this honour, suggested to me by the antiquarian book dealer, William Ward, is a book on football published in 1580: *Discorse Sopra il Giuoco del Calcio Fiorentino*. This went through five editions, the last in 1766, though it fails to cover the tactic of the catenaccio defence. This book is pre-dated by a book oo real tennis: *Trattato de Giuoco della Palla*, published in 1555. This will cost you around £7,000; the footy book you could get in first edition for around £5,000. On the other hand, you could save a few bob and buy the 1991 opus *Gazza's Football Year* for £5.99.

Ode to all that

Alas, my campaign to win the Beryl Cook Pingpong Trophy ended in disaster last week. I was beaten in the first round by the author of the following poem:

Sometimes
I feel like a priest
In a fish and chip queue
Quietly thinking as the vinegar runs through
How nice it would be
To buy supper for two.

Roger McGough: a poet with a devastating backhand smash.

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